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BIRTHS... On'August 16, 1908, at Peltaiho, the wife of C. W. CAMPBELL, H. B. M. Legation, Peking,

of a daughter. On August 24, 1908, at Shanghai, the wife of FREDERICK RAYDEN, of a daughter. On August 27, 1908, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. J. L. CHALMERS, a daughter. Oa August 30, 1908, at Shanghai, the wi

of J, P. ROCHE, of a daughter. On August 31, 1908, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. J. T. WYNYARD BROOKE, a daughter. MARRIAGE.

On August 10, 1908, at Couze-ctiSt. Front (France) JULES GORY, I.M. Customs, to SUZIE THYSS, daughter of Frederic Thyss, Manager Bauque de Mulhouse. DEATHS

On August 16, 1908, suddenly, at Ichang. Dr. GEORGE F. STOOKE, Church of Scotland Mission, aged 32 years.

On August 25, 1908, at Pootung, CHARLES TAMES STUART ADAMS, aged 51 months. On August 29, 1909, at Shanghai, LAURA WINNIFRED CLARK, aged I year and 9 months. shall pledge themselves to obey the some 1,040 piculs of foreign opium passed eight (mostly wealthy local or Straits mer- fashion for itself a weapon whose grip shall be. M Customs.

DANIEL A. MACDONNELL, Pilot, aged 48

At the Government Civil Hospital, on the 3rd inst.; CARL LESLIE HACK, late of the China Imperial Maritime Customs, aged 3t years Funeral will pass the Monument at 9 o'clock to morrow morning. Friands are respectfully invited to attend.

At the Government Civil Hospital, on the 3rd inst , Police Constable WILLIAM TAYLOR .third con of James Taylor, farmer, East Thunderton, Peterhend, Aberdeenshire, N.B., aged 24 years. Deeply regretted.

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HONGKONG, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 1908.

A BATTLESHIP MYSTERY

DISPRLLED.

(20th August.)

The telegram, which is published to day, of the rumour of war between Argentina and Brazil, and the suggestion that the three mammoth warships (now building in England for the latter country) have been ordered Customs stations of China with which Fongwith a view to a probable contest for the kong is very closely associated interest will future sovereignty of Uruguay, dispels the | be found in the annual report by Mr. W. R. mystery, which has surrounded the construct M'D. Parr, the acting Commissioner for tion of the big battleships. It has been Kowloon. On the whole the district appears. asserted, with a great show of reason, to have Jeen in a flourishing condition in are in fact designed for Japan, and intimates that a secret arrangement exists between formed the subject of so much speculation

#### 1YPHOON CORPS FOR HONGKONG.

by:theorists.......

(31st August.)

A contributor comments on the proposal fore, a matter of great moment to the float- especially cotton thread. American kero- that for the preceding years but the net Council to be whatever from time to time the bad weather of October 12.000 labourers.

ful, that the powers that be have hit upon a | gallous (about 45 per cent.) and Russian oi scheme to extend greater security to them by 310,305 gallons (about 35 per cent.) than at present exists—a scheme which it is | No Burma oil was imported by junk. All hoped will be as effectual as it will commend. the items under metals fell off with the exitself for its simplicity. In fact, its ception of lead in pigs and bars, which ad simplicity is its chief recommendation. vanced about 60 per cents. An exceptionly The scheme, as set out in the current issue profitable business, however, is reported of the Government Gazette, proposes to have been done in metals, and the general raise a Volunteer Emergency Corps for the | declined our returns may in a great meapurpose of saving life on the harbour front | surd be ascribed to the fact that foreignduring typhoons. This is to be done with flagged lighters towed by steam-launch the aid of life buoys, ropes, etc., which will are now largely employed in lieu of nati be provided at convenient intervals along Junks to carry machinery, iron pipes, tinni the Praya and the sea front at Kowloon. So plates, cement, coal, kerosene oil, etc., far, so good; but it would appear that the China. The poor rice crops of 1906 well cal-that-young men, once having enrolled in roo7, with the result that there was themselves in the Corps, will attempt to shirk. steady demand for foreign rice to make up their duty in the hour of need. It is the shortage. The importation of foreign on the threshold of an excellent scheme, and there is no good reason why that scheme should not be realised, so far as public cooperation is concerned, if the authorities are willing to lead the way."

#### ROWLUON'S IRADE.

Being one of the Imperial Maritime

that the Brazilian navy has no imperative 1,1907, an advance of 122 million tacks or 30 need of vessels of this type, far surpassing in | percent, being shown in the junk trade, which power and size anything affoat and in com- amounted to over 54 million taels in value. The there is a Government monopoly. Only is estimated at 9,310 piculs. Whether the initiated, What is it that hypnotises Hongmission. Reuter, however, in to-day's tele- Commissioner himself writes that: "In-some 50 chests of native (Yunnan) opium linternal opium tax is successfully gathered kong, alone of the Eastern Crown Colonies? gram, which is reproduced elsewhere, sup- view of the multiplicity of adverse circumplies the ostensible raison d'etre of the three stances—inclemency of weather, tightness of Hongkong during the year, and out of that what doubtful. Foreign opium merchants ganisation because until Hongkong arms. Goliaths." In design, armament and speed money market, exchange fluctuations, restricthese vessels are strikingly similar to the tion of opium smoking, unrest, in the South, battleships which Japan has now under con- and last, but not the least, the transfer of the by the Commissioner, were blended with clandestinely by junk as well as overland to Crown Colonies even if there is a common struction. In that connection the Aew carrying trade from junks to foreign lighters the foreign drug for exportation to Annam all the neighbouring centres of consumption. grievance to redress or a common policy to York Herald, to which Japan is a bugaboo of certain staple commodities referred to of the first magnitude, insists that these elsewhere—the statistics for the past 12 vessels, while ostensibly building for Brazil, I months show a distinct, and in the circumstances satisfactory, improvement both in the volume and value of the trade. Deducting have already been chronicled. Brazil and Japan to this end. This state- about to per cent. from the total value of ment has been indignantly denied by Brazilian | the trade obtained from increased valuadiplomats, but there has been no official or tion, there still remains a substantial semi-official denial from Japan of the fact. increase of 20 per cent, to record." The fact that Japan has not denied this Although that would seem to indicate prostory, but has ignored it altogether, is taken gress, we are told in the next sentence that in quarters other than those of the Herald with the exception of flour and foreign rice offices as tending to cast a doubt on the trade was unsatisfactory. How the two state- may refer to that by Mr. Bowra, the Comcorrectness of the Herald's assumption. ments are reconciled it is difficult to say, missioner of Customs at Amoy. Reference coording to another American opinion but there they are. With regard to crops is made in the first place to the tea industry the argument is that if Japan were really | Mr. Parr says that the spring and the autumn | which, has to all intents and purposes disarming in this secret way there would be a rice crops suffered from two diametrically appeared. Mr. Bowra laments the fact that denial at once of the story. Some of those | opposite causes. Unusually heavy rains in | the decadence of Amoy as the port of ship- | proposals for Hongkong, which we reprowho hold to this view make the guess, for it the autumn caused the river to overflow in ment for Formosan teas should still have duce elsewhere in this issue, is described by is nothing more than a guess, that China is | many parts, and the growing rice in the low- to be insisted on but says that, far from any | the Times of Ceylon as a right and left the country which will ultimately turn up in | lying districts along the river was almost | improvement having occurred last year, 1907 | hander, and the journal adds "Hongkong possession of the Brazilian ships. At one | totally destroyed; the higher levels, however, | is only conspicuous as the year in which the | has a hard time in front of it, but we can time there seemed to be something in this vielded a very fair crop. At first the autumn Formosan tea traffic came to a virtual end; | imagine that the Colony will make some latter theory, but it is pure conjecture, with. harvest promised well; in fact, hopes were the patient, in fact, took a serious turn for effort towards compensation after the exout any, base of known fact upon which to at one time entertained that it would prove the worse, and unless present indications Governor's plain hint to "agitate, agitate, rest, and Reuter's despatch to-day dispels all | a record crop, but before the rice was ready | are unexpectedly falsified, it will only remain | agitate." Taking the cudgels on behalf of the conjectures that had been erroneously for harvesting incessant rains reduced the for the coming year to celebrate the obset this Colony, the Singapore Free Press, which formed as to the ultimate ownership of the | yield to a five-tenths crop. The spring har- | quies and put up the tombstone over the | is exceptionally well-informed on the opium battleships in the British yards which have vest proved even more disappointing, owing defunct trade. Of the total shipment of question, remarks in a leading article that to excessive drought. These short crops Formosan teas during the past season, only that is all very well. so far as it goes: But have further enhanced the cost of living, about one-twelfth went via Amoy, against the unfortunate thing about Hongkong is led at the port for some two weeks. The and thus curtailed the purchasing power nearly one-half in the preceding year, and that no matter how good its case all its pro- journey both ways was accomplished with of the interior for cotton goods and it is probable that during 1908 even a tests and agitations are as a sounding brass sundries. On the other hand, an abnormal smaller fraction will pass through the port. and a tinkling cymbal, for the simple but that the condition of the river, with its demand for foreign rice to make good the Thus the end though long foreseen has at all sufficient reason that the Hongkong shortage was created. Cochin-China, where last come somewhat suddenly. Amoy is public has been content to remain passive remain a serious bar to the development of its the crops were reported to have been abund. perhaps the oldest of the Chinese tea ports. and unarmed, and has studiously neglected ant, was chiefly drawn on, as the Siamese The Amoy language has even given the to provide itself with the only machinery by Shipping at Lungchow is merely a matter of of the Government to inaugurate the "Vic- crops were poor. Rice alone contributed name lea to the Western world. For many which it can hope to influence the Colonial small Chinese sampans and rafts. Of the toria Emergency Corps" as briefly outlined Hk. Tls. 14,324,393 to the value of the im- years there, was a clarge production of Office, or even show that it is in carnest former craft, Mr. Ferguson's report states, in our issue of the 29th inst. In the course port trade, an increase over 1906 of 71 tea in the district itself; that died out, about anything. The Singapore paper im 652 entered and 2011 cleared during the of an appreciative letter he remarks that million tacls. All rice dealers did well, and Amoy enjoyed a prosperity lasting agines that Hongkong's chief misfortune year, making a total of 853 vessels, residents of Hongkong will have noted with The prohibition to export rice was not for 30 years or so as the harbour and appears to lie in the fact of the existence aggregating 3,412 tons. The number of satisfaction the news, appearing in our withdrawn throughout the year. A large entrepot for ten from Formosa, This, too, of the China Association, a comprehensive raits descended from Tonkin by the two Saturday evening's issue, of the Govern- and profitable business was done in flour, in its turn; now draws to a conclusion body that concerns itself with the general rivers, Sungki-kong and Coabang River, at ment's highly commendable effort to cope for the most part of American origin. Bn. and other sources of production must be commercial and political interests of Britain the confluence of which Lungchow is alwith Hongkong's annual typhoon scourge hanced freights and prices brought the tapped if anything of the old affluence of the in China, and also has lately affiliated to tuated, was 380, the largest number on rewith a view to mitigate, if not actually pre- trade in the Australian cereal practically to port is to be regained. Apart from tea, the literests of Britain with Japan cord since the opening of the port. The vent, the abnormal loss of life consequent a standstill in the latter part of the year, trade history of the year was favourable and through a closer, association between the trade of Mengtez during last year presents upon its yearly visitation. The writer adds: The local flour-mill had a very brisk and fair first crops; were reaped. But drought China Association and the Japan Associat no special features. The acting Commission -It is a relief to learn that the authorities profitable year's working. The great de interfered with the second crop, and upon tion. But nowhere in all this do the rela- sioner of Customs, Mr. C. H. Brewitthave at last been brought to recognise the pression which ruled in the market for the whole the harvests of the year were poor. I tions between Hongkong as a Crown Colony Taylor, however, devotes considerable space necessity of promulgating some scheme Indian cotton yarn towards the latter The clan fighting in the Namab and Hweisn and the Colonial Office or the Imperial to the railway in course of construction. He whereby the ravages of the typhoon fiend end of the year 1906 continued through districts interfered seriously with trade; Government have the least place. As a reports that although the prediction of 1906 could be lessened to an appreciable extent. out 1907, and the business for the past communications were not absolutely inter- Crown Colony, in so far as the possession of was not fulfilled, the work on the railway. That Hongkong has long been lacking 12 months has been most unprofitable, rupted, but many fields were left untilled, any political leverage that may be brought steadily progressed. The dry winter and in this respect there is no denying, but Foreign goods entered China from Hong. and trade in the disturbed country was very to bear in Downing Street, unofficial Hong- spring were favourable and labour was plenowing to the conservative attitude taken up | kong vid the Kowloon stations during the languid. Business during the year is report | kong simply has no more existence than the tiful. The 47,000 men at work at the endby the Government, things have been allowed year 1907, to the value of Hk. The ed to have been generally dull and profits child unborn. Downing Street knows the of 1906 were kept on as long as possible;

they will afterwards find cause to be thank- while Sumatra oil decreased by 916,885 and the Straits Settlements. The Szechuan | This may or may not be the case; but con- support. druk is reported to have been plentiful, but sidering the well-known lawless character of the Yunnan crop only gave a 50 per cent. the Tungan people—the district in which yield. The report on further points is of the great bulk is grown-and the fact that interest but it mainly recounts events, that I an opium tax collector was killed there some

AMUY'S TEA TRADE.

(1st September.)

In continuation of the trade reports for 1907 of the treaty ports of South China we hinterland.

figures: this is probably accounted for by can that be seen more clearly than in the pre-

#### lost the tea trade she is regaining her position as a general trade centre for the

two years ago, it would seem that the control

of the growers in that region is at any rate

whole it would seem that while Amoy has

SINGAPORE ADVICE.

Sir Henry Blake's letter on the opium ing population of the Colony and for which sene oil has increased by a ties mall increased by a ties was a small increased by

the value of silver, which ruled high during, sumption of Col., Seely that, all, the respectmost of the year-until October, in fact, able opinion in Hongkong, on the opium when it began to fall with lightning-like suppression business, would be found to be rapidity,—and so cheapened the price of in agreement with that of the Governor Sir foreign imports. The conclusion to be Frederick Lugard, and Sir Frederick drawn is that apart from re-exports, i.e., Lugard's opinion would necessarily be whattea, the trade remains much as it has been ever the Colonial Office directed it to be. It. for many years past. As tea was the back- will thus be seen that public opinion in bone of the trade from the foreign, and no Hongkong, so long as Hongkong permits it; doubt largely from the native, point of view, to be so, is the opinion of the Secretary of there is not much comfort to be drawn from | State. There are fumings amongst the Un-This reflection. .. Hope for the future, how- officials, and the press sometimes—if Downever, lies in certain enterprises which were ing Street chooses to notice it, which it does initiated during the year. I he most import. not as a rule—behaves, in quite obstreant of these is the Chang-Hala (Amoy perous fashion. But if Hongkong will take authorities are inclined to be slightly scepti- followed by two equally disappointing crop Changehow) branch of the Fukien Railways, the honest opinion of those who have rewhich is now under construction. The sub- gretted its helplessness as a Crown Colony of scribed capital for this line and the extension | British citizens this is no more effective than from Changchow to Chinchew, which it is the traditional method of Chinese warfare by stipulated that "as a certain amount of rice reached 4,548,202 piculs, an advance hoped to build later, is \$6,000,000 in \$5 making faces and beating gongs. What Hongorganisation is required to ensure co. of 1,741,214 picula over 1906. Paddy incre shares, on which a call of \$1 a share has kong has to do, if it really desires to make the operation and secure the best results, it ased from 68,206 piculs in 1906 to 1,037,906 already been paid. The management is influence of the resident British community, is necessary that intending volunteers piculs. With regard to opium it is reported that vested in three directors, a committee of felt directly by the Secretary of State, is to orders of the officer in charge of the party, our stations—the highest figures for the last | chants who have taken shares) and a resid- in Hongkong and whose hammer-head shall On August 30, 1008, at Shanghai, Captain who will be the Assistant Harbour Master, 16 years, being an increase of 23 picula ent manager. The promoters and manage. be in London. The Free Press asks: What or one of the Harbour Department Boarding over the previous year's figures. Malwa ment are entirely Fukienese, and the line is can the China Association know or care about Officers or some other Government officer advanced by 59 piculs, while Patna and evidently intended to be quite a provincial the Crown Colony wees of Hongkong? deputed by the Harbour Master or by the Benares declined by 13 and 23 piculs concern. The terminus at the Amoy end is And replies: Nothing. Downing Street Captain Superintendent of Police." Our respectively. No native drug or boiled at Sungson, a place on the mainland facing is out of the picture so far as that body is concorrespondent concludes:--"We can assure opium was reported. The opium trade for the west side of Kulangsu, which lies close cerned, although in a most every branch of the authorities that there are many young the year may be pronounced to be unsatis- to the new tank installation of the Standard the activities of the Unita Association that men in Hongkong who are only too will- factory. The Anti-Opium Edict of 1906, Oil Company. The construction of the body may well ask the Foreign Office to ing to help their fellow men in their hour of and the subsequent closing of all opitim track at Sungseu began early in July and look after its interests. It has been menmisfortune and it is only through the absence divans and the restriction of the sale of the 15 li were completed by the end of the tioned to us that in some quarters in Hongof a systematical institution such as exists in prepared drug in China, checked opium year. It is expected that the whole section kong, where a sort of claim to a monopoly. many coast towns of England that they have smoking to a considerable degree and caused will be completed by the spring of 1909. of representation of public interests is tacitly been prevented from doing so. But now much uneasiness among sellers and buyers. With regard to shipping it is recorded that exerted, there would be displeasure at the that active interest has taken the place of The reduction of sale of raw opium announ- 857 vessels under general regulations, with formation of any body that would venture to lethargic indifference, we can assert with ced by the Indian Government during the aggregate tonnage of 1,027,763, entered at, express public opinion that did not take its some degree of certainty that everything will | early past of the year gave an impetus to the | the Customs during the year, against 865 | cue to speak or remain silent from the group proceed without a hitch. As we have re- trade, but owing to the active anti-opium | vessels, 1,060,627 tons, in 1906. The fall- indicated. If that be the state of things in marked before, the scheme cannot be too propaganda in China the effect was but | ing off is trifling and might fairly have been | Hongkong the sooner it is ended the better timely and it is only to be hoped that it will temporary. In conformity with the under- expected to have been much more serious for the welfare of the Colony. But that has escape the falcof blissful procrastination as in | taking with Chins, the amounts offered at in-view-of-the non-entry of the large-tea-been the representation made to us as the the case of the new typhoon refuge at Mong- the monthly auctions in Calcutta were steamers. Steam-launches entered and explanation why Hongkong has never creatkokisui. Those at the helm of affiirs are reduced as follows: from January to June, cleared fell to 9,203 vessels in 1907, in com- ed for itself, as a Crown Colony, and that 4,400 chests were sold per month; from parison with 9,622 in the year before. But alone, any machinery that might form the July to December, 4,000 chests per month; a greater aggregate tonninge shows that a medium of approach to the Secretary of and commencing with 1908 the sales will be larger type of vessel is being employed. On State without any official intermediary, the 3,000 chesis. Finally, the heavy and un- the subject of opium, it is stated that last resident members of the Hongkong Associaexpected fall in silver at the end of the year | year saw the largest importation of the drug | tion in London being the branch charged caused considerable losses to Hongkong im- from abroad since 1903 and was actually the with the duty of making representations to porters who had broughout at a high ex- largest with the exception of that year and the Secretary of State direct, through the change and had to close their remittances | '897, the total import of the foreign article | department charged with the administration to India when exchange had dropped some | being 3,870 piculs. The native drug showed for the Eastern Crown Colonies. If ever 15 per cent. Malwa opium was subjected a decrease of some 800 piculs, but the Com- there was a time in the history of Hongkong to the same influences as Bengal, and to- missioner says that it was due no doubt. when such a body was needed it is now. wards the close of the year larger sales were partly to the larger arrivals of the foreign when so large a proportion of the Colony's reported, in consequence of reduced arrivals | drug and partly to the large local production. | revenue is endangered by-the surrender of from Ithlia. A small quantity of Persian The local retail price was from \$6.80 of the Home Government to the agitation opium was exported to Fukien province. to \$7.20 g catty, against about \$9 a catty of a paliamentary clique. We have in a The bulk of it was sold to the Japanese for foreign opium. The opium crop rea- previous article shown how simply and Government for sale in Kormosa, where lised in the districts near Amoy during 1907 effectively such an Association can be are reported to have been imported into on the whole of this production seems some. We deplore the absence of such an ornumber the opium farmer reports having complain that it is not-that the greater part | herself as we suggest there can be no means boiled some 41 chests, which, it is believed of the output evades duty and is carried of co-operation between Hongkong and other

FRUNTIER PORTS.

(3rd September.)

Additions to the excellent series of Yellow Books issued by the Statistical Department. not conducted without difficulty. On the of the Chinese Imperial Maritime Customs continue to arrive and the latest to reach us is one dealing with the Frontier Ports-Lungchow, Mengtsz, Szemao, Tengyuch and vatung (Tibet). It was first thought that the opening of Nanning to foreign trade; and the consequent establishing of a Custom House there, would rouse Lungchow out of its lethargic sleep and bring more life into trade relations with down-river ports; but so far this expectation has not if been realised and all has remained as heretofore. Mr. J. W. H. Fergusson, who is assistant in charge temporarily, mention in his report, that with the exception of and -couple of small steam-launches, sent up by the authorities for official purposes, no steamers have entered the port. That steam navigation up to Lungchow is not an impossibility has also been demonstrated by the French river gunboat Vigilante, a versel of 150 tons, drawing about 2 feet. She made the trip during June 1905 and remainout accidents. It is probable, however, many rapids and sharp bends, will always riverine trade from a practical standpoint to take their own course, and, true to the 29,820,314, an enhancement of about Bi poor, and there were two or three failures of Governor of Hongkong and his Executive but some drifted away with the China New traditions of "olo custom," the people of smillion tacks over the preceding yours nailye banks, The gross value of the trade Council, and to a less extent the Legislative | Year holidays and more with the advect of Hongkong have come to regard the story of figures. Cotton goods, with two exceptions in 1907 was 18,836,566 tacls, a decrease of Council. But the official majority on that hot weather and the trying wet senson; but a lives lost as a matter of course. It is, there in shirtings, show submantial advances, more about one million tasts in comparison with body makes the opinion of the Legislative, still at the minimum in the exceptionally is

good deal of sickness among the natives, but hospitals and sanitation prevented any serious mortality. Present precautions fo the well-being of the labourers have certainly removed any cause for possibly deserved reproach in the days of experience. The abnormally heavy rains of the early autumn severely tested the solidity of the permanent way, which, taken as a whole, well with stood the ordeal. Some serious landslips occurred, and the mountain torrents laid bare foundations that were estimated to have a large margin of safety. Beinstatement cost no small sums, for which unexpected outlay the company has to find such consolation as is possible in the reflection that the works have been subjected to a test probably as severe as they will ever experience. The track is now ready for laying the rails throughout three-quarters of its whole length. The portions upon which, serious construction work has still to be done lie between kilometres 83 and 119 and kilometres 306 and 362. Between the points first indicated the line has to be carried up which difficulties are being overcome by a loop about 14 kilometres long with a bridge, now under construction, composed of two long arms, which are to meet in the middle. The scenery along this section is simply superb. The sudden death of a large contractor delayed work on the second section. At the close of the year metals were laid and construction trains ran to kilometre 83, where a halt has ed; these ready for ready for traffic, metals may be laid as fast as they can be brought up. All being well, the engineers have little doubt that the locomotive wil reach Mengtsz during the summer. gular ordinary traffic between Hokow and Lahati has been promised for April On the subject of opium, which now absorbs a large amount of public interest, the report makes reference; to the anti-opium movement which has spread into Yunnan reesulting in the diminished use of the drug. The penalties for indulgence in opium were enforced in official circles, and the smoking establishments in and near Mengtsz were closed in August. The sale of) opium smoking apparatus was prohibited after October. In other directions Mengtsz. like Lungchow, appears to have undergone no material change in the year under review.

#### THE MATERIAL PROGRESS

In an interesting article which appears in a Northern contemporary reference is made to the progress of China, particularly in the adoption and development of Western ideas, not merely in one direction but all round. is only a few years ago since the Chinese Army was little better than a rabble of undisciplined recruifs, who could barely be depended upon in serious crises. Viceroy Yuan Shihkai changed it absolutely into the semblance at least of a fighting factor when he reorganised the Northern Army and cave it a status even In the eyes of the foreign military attaches whom he invited to view the manusuvres. In South China, that example was by no means lost and it is matter of general knowledge that the two Kwang Provinces have a serviceable body of troops to carry into effect the will of the authorities. With regard to the Navy, of which Admiral Li Chun is the Commander-in-Chief in these waters, evidences are not wanting that there is a real and urgent desire to see it reconstituted, so that it may be something more than a mere name. The visit of Admiral Sir Arthur Moore to the Viceroy of Canton last year undoubtedly had a stimulating effect in opening the authorities' vision to the necessity of having an affective paval arm if the West River was to be adequately policed. And the fact that the local Dock Company was entrusted with the work of constructing patrol gunboats may be taken as proof that Canton, at all events, is sincere in. her desire to perform those duties for the protection of the lives and property of her subjects as well as of foreigners, which properly fall within her province. Even if it were not that the cause of humanity demanded the rigid patrolling of the Southern Waterways, it was essential in the interests of her own amour propre that steps should be taken to reduce the frequent and sanguinary piracies which occurred, unless she was content to see the important rivers patrolled by foreign men-of-war. Whether the object of the Provincial Government will be attained remains to be seen, although recent reports regarding the work of pirates on the West River are far from satisfactory. Continuing its enumeration of several of the chief features which mark the advance in Chinese official opinion, our contemporary remarks that the Board of Education has been active in promoting all kinds of schools among the people. The Board of Commerce has made a beginning in investigating the trade conditions throughout the country and in promoting industrial undertakings. The Board of Revenue has been taking recent steps to organize a new uniform system of currency, and to bring the expenditure of the Provinces unde a common system. The Board of Posts an Communications is continuing to carry out the policy of railway and telegraph extension. The Customs Bureau has started a school for the training of men for this branch of service and it has also greatly extended the postal facilities. Viceroys and Governors throughout the Empire bave all undertaken new enterprises looking towards reform. There is not a single branch of the Government service into which change and reform have not been introduced. And after recording these facts the recording writer asks: " Why then does progress lag, and why is there such a pessimistic feeling among so many of the leading men of China? "The reason alleged is that no fixed. policy of introducing reforms has been adopted by the Central Government. As occasions have atlsen, one reform after another has been adopted, but no definite purpose. has ever been formed of adapting the whole governmental system of China to the changed conditions of modern life. What is needed, we are told, is the decision to adopt a programme for uniform and steady read justment of the whole system of government-executive, legislative and judicial. This would ensure the harmonious working of each new project with what has gone before; as well as with what is to follow. There need be no breaking with the valuable methods of the past's neither should there be any retaining of old customs simply because they are old. New and old must be brought together to work nuder a uniform system towards a well defined result. There is much truth in these remarks, but the writer would seem to have formed the ides that the great Empire of China can be regenerated in a day. When we regard the progress that has been achieved even within

the last; five years and observe the new

lously advanced, particularly in the Southern. Provinces, where the people are far more keenwitted and self-reliant than their neighbours in the North, It is easy to make comparison with Japan as to the rate of progress but Japan. took her half-century to develop while China is only at the beginning of her modern history. By strenuous efforts Chipa is covering her vast territory with a network of railways which are bound to revolutionise the face of the country, bring her people into closer, communication and develop her natural resources." It is frue that there has been lamentable dilatoriness in proceeding with the work of building the line between Canton and Hankow, but there seems to be reason to believe that operations will be pushed forward with all speed now that His Excollency Chang Chih-tung bas been appointed chief organiser of the undertaking. In the article to which we have referred it is said that "At present, many excuses are offered for the retention of things which should be abandoned 'on the ground that it is our old national custom. When anything new is mooted, it is often justified because it is the custom of foreign, countries. Neither of these excuses can be considered justifiable. Both new and old should be subjected to the searching inquiry as some oco metres and across a deep valley, to whether it accords with a fixed governmental policy which has been carefully planned. The most urgent of all tasks before the Central Government at the present time is the forma ulating of this general plan in which old and new can assume their proper positions " While that is correct to a certain, extent it partakes of the nature of 'a half-truth. It cannot be gainsaid for a single moment that China, and naturally we refer to the South in particular, is fast discarding old Ideas and assimilating the commercial wisdom of the West. The be called till the bridges shall be finish people themselves are now capable of combination, and powerful combination, to achieve certain purpose, and there is less internecine strife than ever before. That in itself is an evidence of the advanced views held by the intelligent section of the Chinese, and it is through their actions and following the prin- ably: ciples enunciated by them that the mass of the people will be influenced and guided. If Rome was not built in a day how can it be expected that China can emerge from her shell in a decade, unless the accompaniment of a social cataclysm was contemplated?

#### Telegrains.

HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" SERVICE.

PARLIAMENT FOR CHINA

IMPERIAL DECREE ISSUED.

[By courtery of the "Sheung Po."]

Peking! 28th August. An Imperial Decree was issued

on the 27th inst., directing the opening of a Parliament to take place within nine years from this year.

The Decree is a very long document and contains more than seven hundred characters.

> NA VAL BASE, CHUSAN 18. SELECTED.

By courtesy of the "Sheung Po."

Peking, 28th August.

The Imperial Government prop utilize Chusan Island, in Chekidng Province, as a naval base.

HANKO W-SZECHUAN RAIL WAY.

TO BE UNDER OFFICIAL

--Managemene.--

[By courlesy of the "Sheung Po."]

Peking, 28th August. The Ministry of Posts and Com-

munications has indicated that the Hankow-Szechuan Railway will be controlled and managed by officials.

THE OPIUM QUESTION. CONSUMPTION IN CHINA.

[By courtesy of the "Sheung Po."]

Peking, 30th August.

Lord Li Ching-fong, Chinese Minister to the Court of St. James' has telegraphed to the Imperial Government that, in view of the anti-opium campaign's if the consumption of home-grown opium should remain as heretofore, His Excellency\_is\_apprehensive\_that\_it may give rise to contentious dis-

Lord Li urges the Chinese Government to prohibit the cultivation of poppy within the Empire.

THE GHINESE FLEET PROPOSED SOUTHERN CRUISE.

[By courtesy of the "Sheung Po!"]

Peking, 30th August. The Ministry of War contemplates the despatch of a Chinese fleet to the Southern Seas for a cruise. It has memorialized the Throne

on the subject. RAILWAYS AND TELE-

GRAPHS.

PROPOSED INSPECTION.

[By courtesy of the "Sheung Po."]

Poking, 30th August. H.E. Chang Pik, president of the

admitted that China as a whole has marvale tions, is considering the advisability Mixed Court Magistrate recommends of a tour of inspection throughout | the removal and reorganization of the Provinces in connection with the Sinza Refuge. railways and telegraphs.

CHINESE EMPEROR ILL.

SUFFERING FROM DYSENTERY.

- By courtesy of the "Skeung Po."

Peking, 1st September. The Emperor is suffering from an ttack of dysentery.

The physicians in attendance are somewhat exercised as to the treatment to apply to the Imperial patient.

BRITISH MERCHANTS IN HANKO W.

> COMPLAIN OF TRADE. DEPRESSION.

[ By courtesy of the " Sheung Po."]

Peking, 1st September. The British merchants in Hankow, in view of the present depression of trade, have applied for a reduction in Customs dues on all merchandise imported into the Pro-

The Waiwupu has no intention f considering the application favour-

SUPERINTENDENT OF RAIL WAYS.

> CHANG CHIH-TUNG'S SUGGESTION.

[By courtesy of the " Sheung Po."]

Peking, 1st September. It is rumoured that H.E. Chang Chih-tung has applied for the transfer of the office of Superintendent of Railways, now vested in him, to the Viceroys and Governors of the respective Provinces within which railways are constructed.

The Imperial Government appears to view the suggestion with favour.

PEKINGESE JUBILANT

COMMEMORATING THE CONSTI-TUTIONAL GOVERNMENT DECREE.

[By courtesy of the "Sheung Po."]

Peking, 1st September. The people in Peking are jubilant over the Imperial Decree issued on the first day of the 8th moon (27th August) appointing the date for the institution of Constitutional Government in nine years' time.

The citizens propose to call a mass meeting to consider ways and means for commemorating the issuance of the popular Decree.

27th August, 1958. Their Majesties the Empress Dowager and Emperor Kwang Hsu issued an edict approving the memorial from the Prince Pu Lun and the other members of the Legislative Council, with regard to the constitution laws, parlia ments and votes, and other necessary pre-'parations should'be completed before the open ing of the Parliament, and that their proposi tions are clear and wholesome The Council of Parliamentary representation and the Legis lative Council were ordered to distribute their propositions, after having been endorsed with the Imperial stamp, together with this edict, to all yamens in the Capital, Viceroys, Governors and their respective underlings, that all officials shall execute these propositions according to the time granted, and the results are to be reported to their Majesties every six months. The Metropolitan officials, Viceroys and Governors are also advised to take steps with

out-delay to encourage ..education\_and\_self government among their peoples. As to the question of the opening of the Par linment, their Majesties gave a period of nine years for the accomplishment of all the necessary proparations. The constitutional laws, which are to be made by his Majesty the Emperor, will then be published, and an Imperial decree for summoning the parliamentary representatives will be also issued by that time.

TANG SHAO-YI. TO INQUIRE INTO REPUBLICAN

GOVERNMENT.

[By courtesy of the "Sheung Po."] Peking, 1st September.

H.E. Tang Shao-yi, being about to proceed on his special mission to America, has had an audience with Their Majesties the Emperor and Winner of \$12 ... H.M.S. Bedford ... 55 Empress Dowager.

Their Majestics directed the Special Commissioner to make a special sady of the form of Republican Government obtaining in the United States during his sojourn in America.

SHANGHAI REFUGE. REORGANIZATION RECOM-MENDED.

"DAILY NEWS" CAMPAIGN SUCCESSFUL [From Our Own Correspondent.]

Shanghai, 2nd September,

3.55 p.m. In consequence of the exposure

parmeter the people, the fact few to be Ministry of Posts and Communica, by the North China Daily News the N. C. D. News.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS COM- ${\it MISSIONER}.$ 

TAOTAL WEN'S SUCCESSOR - APPOINTED.

[By courtesy of the ! Sheung Fo."]

Peking, 3rd September. The. Imperial - Government - has decided to appoint an official Canton for transacting business having relations with foreigners.

Government recommend that the appointment be offered to Im Ku.

[Acting upon the suggestion of the authorities in Peking, Viceroy" Chang of Canton has telegraphed to Im Ku to proceed South to as-

CAPITAL OF KWANGSI. NANNING PROPOSAL REVIVED.

[By courtery of the "Sheung Po."]

Peking, 3rd September. The Imperial Government con-

template the transfer of the seat of Government in Kwangsi province from Kweilin to Nanning.

Telegraphic instructions have been despatched to Viceroy Chang to report on the advisability or otherwise of the proposed change.

> SERIOUS AFFRAY IN SHANGHAI.

FOREIGN CONSTABLES WOUNDED

[firom Our Own Correspondent.]

Shanghai, 4th September. Another serious affray, occurred here last night between Japanese

Members of the Municipal police, who proceeded to suppress the street brawl were set upon by the sailors. In the melee two foreign constables were wounded.

TYPEOON WARNING.

-The-American-Consulate-General\_received the following telegram from the Manila Obser-

September 3rd, 11 a.m. Cyclone or typhoon South East of Naha. Direction unknown.

THE CHINA SQU'ADRON.

Weihaiwei, August 28. The past week has been a busy one with the Fleet, as each ship has completed her Heavy Gun Layers' Tests, and has filled up with coal in readiness for the northern cruise. The Kent carried out her H. G. L. cest an Thursday. Her record is as follows:---Twelve 6" Guns ...... 101 rounds 63 hits.

Average per gun ..... 8.4 , 5.25 Best shot.P. U. McGuiness 10 met The Honmonth was to have fired on Friday but, owing to the squally weather and heavy sea, it was postponed till Monday when she completed her H. G. L. Test as follows :-Twelve 6" guns ................. 86 rounds 55 hits. 

Best shot P. Q. Pike ...... 9 On Tuesday H.M.S. Beltomart carried out both her Heavy and Light Q. F. Gun Layers' H. G. L. Test 4"..... 13 rounds 7 hits. Best shot P. O. Strange .. . 7 Light Q. F. 12 Pr.

Best shot, Lead, Seaman Patker ..... During the week the Royal Marines have carried out their annual contests for the Royal Marine Jewel and also Royal Marine Officers

Cup (Team). . The first ten in the Jewel Competition were:-1. Capt. Fletcher ..... H.M.S. Monmouth .. 88 2. Gor. Blackman ..... King Alfred ... 83 3. Lieut.-Knight ...... Bedford .......84 4. Pte. Thorne ...... King Alfred ... 82 c. Maj. Garrett ....... 6. Pte. Richmond ..... Bedford ........81 Harmsworth ... 8. L. Cpl. Fleetwood ... Tamar ...

9. L.-Col. Taylor ..... Kent .......80 to. Sgt. Lamberton ... , King Alfred ... 79 Royal Marine Officers Cup ( Feam.) Winners of Cup H.M.S. King Alfrid 65 points skylight on the roof and also a window at the H.M.S.Monmouin \$8 \ H.M.B. Bedford

H.M.S. King Alfred (2nd team) The Alacrity, flying the flag of the Commander in Chief, teturned from a shooting this to Shanhaikuan on Thursday evening .- W. C

(and team)

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S MESSAGE.

Tokio, August 31, Many papers protest against the postpone. papers see in it a significant indication of the Government's , endeavours to obtain, some, financial readjustment.

President Roosevelt, in reply to a communica. tion from Japan on the postponement of the Exhibition, declares that he fully appreciates. the wisdom of Inpan's linencial policy.

#### Parliament for China.

THE IMPERIAL DECREE.

TO PREPARE FOR THE CONSTITUTION.

Peking, August 27. Decree of H. I. M. the Emperor. in compliance with the Command of the Empress Dowager, acknowledging the receipt of a code of Constitutional Laws drafted by the Haien chen Pion-ch'a-kuan (Department for the Investigation of the principles of Constitutional Government) The Laws are very complete and are in accordance with the requirements of the subject. The lines of duty incumbent on

all high and low, are clearly laid down in these

The department has also-submitted to the

Throne constitutional schemes, that should be carried into effect before the opening of a Parliament. It is certain that before constitutional government can satisfy, or have any effect upon the nation, drastic measures, must be taken to reform the Empire thoroughly. We, therefore, hereby order the Department to promulgate the said constitutional reform schesume the duties of the office in succession to mes among the Heads of the various Yamens Taotai Wen Tsung Yao. This appointment in the Capital, the Viceroys and Governors does not, however, dispose of Mr. Fung Wa- of provinces and their subordinates. The chun's candidature for office in the Foreign officials are to carry these schemes into effect Aff irs Bureau as reported in our columns last within their respective jurisdictions and to week. We understand that Mr. Fung has report to the Throne every six months upon Kowloon yards, after the typhoon, last month, active supporters in Canton for his selection to | what they have done in the preceding months. | he n ade reference to the s.s. Servey on in these the Foreign Bureau and his chances are as The said Department is to see that all terms: "Shored up against the side of the stone good as those of any of his opponents for the officials whether within the Capital or without | pier lies the hull of the erstwhile. Mapila interassistantship to the Foreign Commissioner .- | carry out these schemes properly .. Should any | island trader s.s. Sorsogon, which went down off officials be found-disobeying Our Commands | the Dock quay on the t8th-September, 1906 they will, be punished severely and without. It will be remembered that she was refloated leniency. Let it be understood that We will and subsequently fold to the Dock Company the part of the officials. Under the difficult | the much looked for revival in the shipping crisis through which the country is passing it | trade becomes an accomplished, fact." The should be the clear duty of every official to prescience of the remark did not take long to exert himself to assist . Us in reforming the lassert itself, for within a month of the Empire. Let it be made known that nine years | publication of the paragraph we are now are given as the limit of time for carrying out | in a position to report the sale of the vessel. these reform schemes. The Constitutional At the time of her foundering two years ago, Us and the date for the opening of the Parliament will also be announced by that time. The metropolitan and provincial officials are

are also commanded to love no time in diffusing the knowledge of local self-government among the people, so as to enable them togovern the country in future.

evil work and insidious rumours which bad characters are constantly seeking to spread about, in order to disturb the peace and to also employed in a novel duty for a vessel of her a cause trouble. We look to the officials the Empire to put forth their whole hearts in carrying through these reforms, so that State may become stronger and stronger. these Our Commands be made known to every one in the Empire.

(1) Hell Chien is appointed Director of the High Court of Investigation in the Capital. . (2) Hail Hail is appointed Judge of the Peking Common Law Court.

August 29.

( ) Wuang Ta-hei (who is at present in England studying the Government and Constitu tion of that country) is appointed Senior Vice-President of the Ministry of Posts and Communications. Pending Wunng's arrival is Peking, Wu Yü-shen (one of the two Directors of the Peking Granaries), is to act for him at Interim in addition to his (Wu's) usual duties. (2) Lin Shao-nien (Governor of Honau) in appointed a Director of the Peking Granaries and Wu Ch'ung hei ir appointed Governor of Honan. Pending Wu's arrival in Kaifens (capital of Honan) Chu Shou-yung is to act it his stead for the time being. (3) Shên Tsêng-chih is appointed Acting

Governor of Anhui. (4) Mao Ching-fan is appointed Provincial Treasurer of Kinngsu and Fan Kung-hau is appointed Superintendent of Education for

CONSTITUTIONAL REFORM SCHEMES: The following are some of the constitutional reform schemes that are to be carried into effect within the next nine years.

To promulgate local self-government regulations. To adjust financial matters. \* To revise the laws governing Manchus in order to do away with the evils of racial jealousy. To take a census of the people.

and year. -To promulgate laws regulating the election of the members of Provincial Assemblies. To promulgate the regulations of the Tzechenyuan (Imperial Assembly) and methods of judicial procedure.

of the official system.

4th year. To promulgate Common Laws. 5th year - To promulgate duty regulations. 7th year.—To draw up a Budget.

8th year -To fix the amount of money required for the expenses of the Imperial Houseoth year — To promulgate Constitutional laws. To publish Institutes of the Imperial House-

hold. To promulgate laws regulating parlia-

mentary election...

BUILDING AUTHORITY'S DISCRETION.

RI FUSAL TO EXERCISE.

Mr. Tack Yuen submitted to the Sapitar Board an application for exemption or modification tion of section 153 for the second, floor of No. 27, Lyndhurst Terrace, as that floor, has

is only a few square feet short of the area Mr. A. Shelton Hooper minuted':-- Inform the applicant he must apply in the first instance to the Building Authority as per section 245

rear for external air and the window area

Head, Sanitary Department :- The Building Authority has refused to exercise his discretion and asked that the matter may come before the Board.

THE ANTI-OPIUM CAMPAIGN.

The new opium regulations drawn up by the Imperial Commissioners in charge of the prohibition of opium smoking have been approved by the Throne. According to these regulations, ment of the Tokio Exhibition, But other if any official, should be found suppressing opium with slackness or indifference be will be severely punished, while those who have shown energy in enforcing the Opium Decrees: will be rewarded and commended.

The British Minister in Peking has stated to the Walwupa that the Hongkong authorities have issued a decree prohibiting the export of opique into China.-A. C. D. News

S.S. "SORSUGON" SOLD. FURCHASED BY A FRENCH FIRM.

The s.s. Sorsogon, which, as we have stated on previous occasions, is a valuable Coating asset of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ld., has been sold. Negotiations for the sale and purchase of the handy-sized yessel were, of necessity, conducted with due regard to secrecy, and it was not until late yesterday afternoon that we came by sufficient reliable information to warrant our approaching, representatives of the Dock Co. to speak to the

authenticity of the report for publication. For some time past inquiries from several quarters were made for the purchase of the Sorgogon; those from the Philippines being the most persistent and approximating pearest the vendors' idea of the steamer's value. She was a Philippine vessel and is admirably adapted for the inter-island trade.

Chinese interested in the shipping trade have also cast an eye on the Sorsogon, but as they would not go beyond a certain figure they have been forestalled in her purchase by a local firm of ship-brokers acting under instructions from a French firm of ship agents. We understand that when the steamer is relitted she will be employed on the Southern coastal trade for which she is eminently suited in size, tonnage

On the occasion of our reporter's visit to the not tolerate for a moment any delinquency on I which has in her a convertible asset as 3000 as Laws will then be definitely decided upon by the Soreogon was completing extensive repairs in Kowloop, and was ready to receive her new boilers when she was struck by the typhoon and sank in deep water under the sheer-legs. The story of the operations attending the refloating of the vessel presented many interest ing features, as it will be recalled how the Admiralty, desirous of giving the Naval divers a Proper care must be taken to prevent the practical test in work under water, actually lent their men to assist the Dock staff in the operations. Then the dredger Conton River water type, for she was used by the salving party as a sort of auxiliary vessel wherefrom the divers carried out their arduous task. When the Sortogon was refloated it was found that she susia ned comparatively little damage. She was abandoned to the underwriters and sold by Messis, Jorge and Co., who were the Hongkong agents for the Manila owners, to the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co. for the sum of \$4,000, exclusive of the cost of the new boilers. Now that the Sortogon has been sold work has already been taken in hand for refitting the vessel according to specifications

> boilers are all ready to be fitted into the hull as soon as she is launched. The figure mentioned to our representative hat the purchase price of the Sorsogon ready for sea should leave a fair margin of profit to the vendors. At the same time it is considerably under anything the vessel could be bought for in the home market with the present rate of silver exchange.

answering to the requirements of the special

is not expected that the overhauling of

the vessel will be a work of any considerable

time, having regard to the fact that the hew

trade in which she will be employed.

MOTION FOR JODGMENT.

NTERESTING ARGUMENT IN COUR!

On the 24th August, the Chief Justice readers will remember, gave his decision in the action brought by the Hip On Insurance Exchange and Loan Company, Limited, and 1st year .- To establish provincial assemblies. | the Hongkong and Manila Yuen Sheng Exchange and Trading Company, Limited. against the two sons of Mr. Li Sing-Li Po Yung, and Li Po Kam-in which they sought to claim \$11,524 94, which had been paid into

Court in connection with certain property. Judgment was entered for Li Po Yung and Li Po Kam on the claim with costs, and in favour of Li Po Yung with costs on the counter-claim, and formal judgment was entered. ...In deliverlaws regulating the election of its members. I ing judgment his Lordship said:- "What To find out the annual amount of the expendi- the form of the order will be must, he ture and income of the Empire. To devise largued, as it may become a very complicated matter. The question of redemption ard year. To convene the Tzechenyuan. To of the Hongkong Fire Company's mortgage promulgate the new criminal code of laws. I.To I was much insisted on. I am not sure that it promulgate regulations for the reorganization will arise; it depends on the attitude taken up by the company, who may be willing to have it transferred to the new owners. But this in turn depends on many other considerations. 6th year.—To promulate rules of judicial. When the parties are ready, the form of the order can be made the subject of a special

> motion for judgment. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., who appeared for the Hip On and the other company (the unsuccessful parties) moved in the Supreme Court, this foremoon, that judgment be entered in his favour. Counsel proceeded to argue at length. His next step was to read bits of evidence from documents which were before him. when wr. Slade interrupted, and called upon Mr. Pollock to read the whole thing, and not

to leave out important parts. Mr. Pollock proceeded, unheeding the check, but Mr. Slade called his friend to attention again, whereupon senior Counsel retorted that he was conducting his own case; that he was not leaving out any important points, and that he thought it very discourteous of his friend to

Mr. Slade returned that he did not think it was discourteous to interrupt when his friend was reading parts here and there and omitting parts which were important. Mr. Pollock-If my friend would leave me

to conduct my own case-The Chief Justice put a temporary stop to the "breeze" by reminding Mr. Pollock that that had been given already,;

Mr. Pollock-That is the motion I am make The Chief Justice asked bow he could draw up an order when he had already given judgment. He thought Mr. Pollock out of order. Mr. Pollock said that the judgment on the

face of it was purely inconsistent. The Chief Justice-You ought to have brought the motion for an order. Mr. Pollock was understood to say that the judgment was given on the question of costs. The Chief Justice—I think you are wrong.

Mr. Pollock-I would like to know what your Lordship think is right." The Chief Justice-I think you, are out of Mr. Slade argued that his friend baving fis-

leased one of the defendants, having refused to prosecute him, he new wanted to fakin the jother defendant, whom they wanted the pay twice over. The or After further discussion his Lordship reserved his decision on the point;

#### Opium in Parliament.

THE HONGKONG DIVANS

HIGH-HANDED PROCKEDING.

On the 28th July in Committee of Supply on the Civil Service Estimates, Mr. Emmott, Chairman of Committees, in the chair, and, on the vote to complete the sum of £56,450 for the salaries and expenses of the Department of the Secretary of State for the Colonies,

Mr. Lyttelton said he had a word or two to say in the first instance on a matter relating to India and the opium traffic, which, unless it might bring us trouble in our great-Eastern dependency. In carrying out the resolution of part in that debate that any action taken by the | detected and does not, as in the case Government would be deliberate and cautious. the co-operation of the authorities of the various colonies concerned. Unless be was misinformed, there had been a grievous departure from that wholesome rule in Hongkong, and a to the Straits Settlements. He, was informed that a telegram was sent by the colony of Hongkong that His Majesty's Government had decided to close the opium establishments in Hongkong. That telegram reached Hongkong three hours before the statement was made public in the House of Commons, and therefore before any information was vouchsafed to the colony or the matter. Absolutely no previous consultation had taken place, so far as he was informed, and no opinion taken of the members of the Legislative Council. Naturally this caused a great deaf of feeling amongst the members of that body He hoped there would be some explanation given of this apparently high-handed proceeding, because, in his opinion, it was calculated rather to hinder than advance the object—the reduction in the consumption of opium.

Colonel Seely, in reply, said with reference to the complaint that we took action without consulting the authorities of Hongkong, although they did their best to ascertain the views of the people, it was quite impossible to get anything like a reasoned opinion from the inhabitants of Hongkong. He reasserted what he had said in a previous discussion, that it was the policy of the Government to close the opium dens in Hongkong. That remained. the policy of the Government, and as regarded that policy itself the right hon, gentleman would forgive him if he quoted some words of his. The right hon, gentleman said on a former occasion: "I congratulate the Government and the Under-Secretary in having taken steps which are entirely reasonable in the circumstances."

Mr. Lyttelton: I agreed with that policy, but what I said that every person of sense presumed that the ordinary steps had been taken that would make the policy palatable.

Colonel Seely said the ordinary steps could not be taken for reasons that he had given: The ordinary steps were now being taken, and the Government would act throughout on the advice they had recently obtained, and would obtain, from the Governor. He believed he would be able to satisfy the House that the best public opinion in Hongkong, and the opinion of the Governor himself, coincided with the policy of the Government as to the measures they proposed to take.

Subsequently Mr. T. C. Taylor alluded to the question of opium consumption at Hong kong. He pressed the Government to continue the policy of suppressing the opium habit there. If the Government meant business the traffic could be suppressed. All that was wanted was a strong law, properly administered.

Colonel Seely, in a further reply, said he agreed that, bad as the effect of opium-smoking\_was,-the\_injection\_of-morphia--was-evenmore injurious. He trusted that the International Commission would include in its purview these opium derivatives. He understood the American representatives were auxious to take this course. His Majesty's Government would agree. It might interest the Committee to

know that the International Commission would mest in Shanghai on Jan. 1 next year. PRESS COMMENTS. Mr. Lyltelton voiced a certain amount of the opinion of Hongkong respecting the opium policy forced on the colony by the Home Government, when he asked for an explanation of a telegram which he understood the Colonial Office sent to the Legislative Council of Hongkong on May 6, stating that His Matesty's Government had decided to close the opium establishments in Hongkong. He understood that that decision was arrived at without any previous consultation of local opinion, and this had caused great indignation among the unofficial members of the Legislative Council. Such high-handed proceedings were calculated to defeat the object which both sides of the House had in viewthe reduction of the consumption of opium. In reply Colonel Seely, the Under-Secretary-forthe Colonies, said the Government did their best to ascertain the views of those who were To Amounts written off for deconversant with the question here, but it was lite impossible to Zet anything like a reasonopinion from the authorities in Hongkong the appouncement of the Government's What he said then and what he reasw was that it was the policy of His Government to close the opium dens g. In carrying out this policy the would act throughout with the overnor, and he trusted that the ongkong and, of the Governor of the Government, We Hongkong will acquiesce kong does not, any morecouring colony of the wiesce in the methods Ans susprising when me without any preregard to the meakeplace so considergross revenue of the kong may not enjoy the rament, the community at their interests should k that no unfair burden Just will act with excesinjure the prosperity of

filment of their aspirations does not touch their material interests, and does touch the interests of others whose rights deserve consideration. The traffic and consumption of opium, like that of liquor in the West, has been long in existenc and long recognised, and large and important interests have naturally developed round it. To replace it is not, so easy a matter, and especially when the proportion towards the entire revenue is to great as in the present instance. That foleigners in China and Englishmen no less than other nationalities are desirous of assisting China in her policy of eradicating opium smoking may be seen by the action of the Municipal Council at Shanghai and the vote of the ratepayors to close down a was cautiously handled by the Government, proportion of the dens in the foreign settlement. But we must remember that no vice seems more difficult to stop, and there is the the House for the discouragement of the opium | danger that morphia eating may supplant the traffic, it was presumed by every one who took | smoking. This form of vice is less easily smoking, announce itself to the smell. It and in particular that they would seek to enlist | would certainly be ironical if Hongkong and Straits are to suffer in the cause of a moral reform that may not be accomplished. The Home Government should, at least, be asked that if they desire the policy that they should similar omission seemed to be likely in regard | also be willing to bear the burden. - L. & C. Habress.

Secretary of State on May 6 saying to the 711B RAUB AUSTRALIAN GOLD MINING COMPANY, LIMITED. ANNUAL REPORT.

> The annual report of the Raub Australian Gold Mining Company, Limited, reads: | up on the stocks. At the end of the inspection A.2 "The Directors herewith present the Balance | he thanked Mr. Wilson for the reception A.3 Sheet and Profit and Loss Account for the year ending-31st-March,-1908;-the Singapore Accounts incorporated therein being closed on the work he had just completed to examine.

> the 29th February, 1908, Directors desire to point out the highly satis- week in September, and as the engines will X.r factory improvement that has taken place in already have been fitted up and completed | X.2 mining operations during the past year. The the vessels will be ready to be delivered to | X.3 Annual Report, which deals very fully with the naval authorities at Canton before the end | X.4. these matters, has been furnished by the of next month, or well within contract time,-General Manager-Mr. W. H. Martin, M.I.M.M.

-and has been forwarded to each Shareholder. The Directors are pleased to be able to announce that they have been able to secure the on the 27th ult, and is undergoing extensive services of Mr. W. H. Martin-whose term of appointment had expired-for at least another year, and in recording this fact they desire to point out that they regard the improvement now shown as being largely due to this gentleman's exertions.

the harbour this forencon. In accordance with the Articles of Association, all the Directors-Messrs. De Burgh Persac Robert Philip, George Frederick Scott and James Forsyth, and the Auditor, T.A. Bond -retire, but are eligible for re-election, and offer themselves accordingly.

It will devolve upon the Meeting to elect Directors and Auditor, and to fix the Auditor's

DE BURGH PERSSE. Chairman.

Brisbane, 6th June, 1908.

BALANCE SHEET FOR YEAR ENDING 315T MARCH, 1908. (Incorporating Singapore Balance to 29th February, 1908.) ...

apital --- 200,000 Shares at £1 ... 200,000 0 0 Lass; Uncalled Capital on 150,000 Shares at 1/2 per Share 8,750 0 0

Reserve 4,873 to to Debenture - ..... 6,155 4 3 Government of The Federated Malay States ...... 5,042 / 5 10 (,210,621, 11 / 1

Assetu. Mining Property ......131,684 . 17 6 Machinery, Plant, Buildings and -Furniture ...... 29,922 17 6 Electric Plant and Installation ... 24,338\_ 2 New Main Shaft and Plant ..... 12,097 10 Timber, Fuel and Stores ....... 1,748 i 10 Sundry Debtors ..... Value of 140th Crushing and Balance Proceeds of 138th

and 130th Crushings ...... 7,210 10 Profit and Loss Account ...... 2,191 5 £210,621 11

PROFIT AND LOSS. 1907.—April 1. To Balance ...... 11,358 1908.--March 31. To Directors' and Auditors' Fees. Salaries and Charges-

Brisbane ..... To Wages and Expenses at Raub. including cost of Singapore Office and Directors' Fees ... 35,833 13 4 preciation and cost of upkeepof machinery and plant, electrical plant and installation, buildings, furniture;

> implements, stores, timber and fuel...... 6,870 8 £54,402 9 10

1907.—March 31. By Gold Account :--Net-Proceeds : of 13,844.677 ors, from 72,587 tons, after payment of royalty, cost of transit, insurance, etc...... \$2,211

also consumption of tools,

THE SUGAR TRADE.

The sympathy is abundantly | formation of a Trust, comprising the Dai export of yarn, as the supply for the home a safeguard, asked for twenty cents as security. In reply to another question, relating to the which he discussed oriental conditions in genewith the desire to eradicate Nippou and the Yokohama and Kobe Sugar demand has in no way decreased, and the quo- Chan Ho handed over a dollar bill and receiv- Knight Commander, Culchas, and Malacca, may, or do, result from undue poium smoking, has been very The views that the colony as a pounced since China first started and that have become emphasised cent action of the Colonial Office. Alst every credit is thus given for Intentions, Hongkong, as well as the "Settlements, objects that it should Enddenly, made the victim of the Home fremment policy. In either case it has yary justification in demanding that if, negotiations come to a successful issue, the Dal n fear, of the resolution to be passed by the Nippon calculates on clearing an additional House of Commons, the Government so majestically sweeps away so great an amount of profit of Y220,000 by the arrangement, to the loss of the people generally, 'Here, therefore, or rayenus as one hall in one case and one-third is an example of the evil done by protective ogin the other, it should at least act up to its duties. If competition was free, and sugar came herpica, and as majestically pass a resolution in from abroad without tax, this undervour to relieving aither colony of a large portion of the levied from them. In the one case the ful. I is sugar reflueries would be impossible.

#### The Patrol Cruisers.

THH INVESTITURE inspected by admiral Li Ohun

CHINESE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF'S SATISFACTION.

20th ulto. The ubiquitous Admiral Li Chun, commander-in-chief of the Kwangtung Navy, is on a visit to the Colony in connection with his official duties. Admiral Li, who placed the order for the construction of the four West 'River" patrol cruisers with the Hongkong shipbuilding yards,

evinced considerable interest in the progress of their building. In the forenoon to-day, accompanied by his suite, he visited the shippard of the Hongkong and Whampon Dock Co., at Hunghom, where two (out of four) of the cruisers are building perienced in the large number of miss-fires, for the Capton Provincial Government, The but for which it was hoped that the King Alfred Chinese Commander-in-Chief was received would have achieved a new record. Even in by Mr. W. Wilson, manager at Kowloon. these adverse circumstances the actual work is Admiral Li, who be the occasion of his first lextremely good and will with difficulty be exvisit, expressed considerable satisfaction with celled in other divisions of the Fleet. The the expeditious manner in which the contract I following are the full scores:--was being carried out by the Dock Co., reiterated his pleasure at the progress towards rapid completion which the construction of the cruisers had advanced. Both the vessels are all but finished. Admiral Li and his 92" Aft. Turret. James, C. P. O. ........ expert staff, who was attended by Capt. T. P. Hall, superintending surveyor on behalf of the Chinese Government, made a careful and minute 6"

examination of the vessels as they were shored

accorded him and congratulated the manager A.4 and his technical staff upon the efficiency of B.t. At their present rate of progress the cruisers B3 In reference to the foregoing accounts, the are expected to be launched by the third Bit Admiral Li Chun was also interested in the Y.2 n repair party engaged on H.M. destroyer Whiting which was stranded near Lycemun Pass repairs at Kowloon. The Chinese naval official had also an opportunity of seeing some of the other vessels crippled in the disastrous typhoon; he was unconsciously given a demonstration of the capabilities of the Dock staff and

REORGANIZATION OF THIBET.

appliances on the occasion of his visit across

NEW REGULATIONS.

The Boards of Foreign and of Colonia Affairs in Peking have drawn up the following points concerning the re-organization of

These points have all been perused by the Empress-Downger and they will be presented before the Dalai Llama when he visits Peking this month in company with his Japanese. advisor and a large retinue; besides those Chinese officials and soldiers who are to be provided by the Governor of Shansi to act as his escort from the Wutei mountain to the metropolis.

From a reliable source, I learn the points are as follows:--1.—The establishment of a Viceroy at Lhassa,

with two Governors, one to reside at Lhassa and the other at Chando, after the methods of the Three Eastern Provinces of Manchuria The Viceroy and the two Governors will be the colleagues of the Dalai Llama, who wil jointly administer Thibetan Government at

2.—The foreign intercourse affairs of Thibet will be entirely administered by the Viceroy at Lhassa with the co-operation of the Dalai

3.-The Thibetan army will be re-organized after the methods of the Peiyang Luchun forces, from which instructors and commanders will be selected for services in Thibet.

4,-Police forces are to be organized after the model of the Tientsin City Police which is now the best force in China of the kind. c.—To revise the Thibetan Law and pena

6.—To promote the knowledge of the Thibetans by the establishment of modern schools and colleges in Lhassa, Chando and other important and big cities in Thibet.

7.-To protect the Buddhist religion, which must be respected by all the natives in Thibel. 8.—The development of mining, railway and industrial affices throughout Thibet for improving the financial condition of the Thibetaus.

9.-To establish branch post and telegraph offices in both interior and posterior Thibet by the Chinese Board of Communications. ro.—The establishment of a branch office of the Chinese National Bank (Taching Ying

Hong), at. Lhassa, for the convenience of the Chinese and the Thibetaus. , 11,-To promote the immigration of Chinese farmers to cultivate the waste arable grounds

in Thibet, by offering them ample privileges. 12,-To clearly define the boundaries with India and the Provincial Government o Szechuan, for preventing disputes in future.-China Critic.

JAPANESE COTTON TRADE. RENEWED DEPRESSION.

The agreement to suspend the operation of 27.5 per cent. of the spindles in each mill for the purpose of restricting the output is to expire at the end of October next. We (Japan Chronicle) understand that Mr. Muto, Managing Director of the Kanegaluchi Spinding Company, has introduced a proposal to the Spinners' Association to extend the term and resume the enforcement of five holidays a the output of yarn by an additional to per cent. the Association support the proposal, regarding

tinue as depressed as at present. TRUST AMONG SUGAR REFINING COMPANIES. | market, the Otoka Jiji notes that by the sus- the story told to the magistrate, Chan Ho, on member for Darlington on 11th July, to the According to a Tokyo dispatch, printed in has been reduced by about 15,000 Japanese West Point, to engage a cubic. The landlady | the Prize Court, and that the Embassy is doing flutter of excitement in official and diplomatic the Japan. Chronicle, negotiations for the bales, which is equivalent to a decrease in the egreed to rent her the room she wanted, but as all in its power to expedite the bearing. Refining companies, as proposed by the Dai tation of yarn now tuling-about Y112-can- ed as change eighty cents, in ten-cent pieces. Mr. J. A. Pease said : As regards the Knight Nippon, have made considerable progress, not be regarded as low. The quotation of After a while, Chan Ho returned the money to Commander, my right hon, friend must refer The object of the movement, like that of most | American raw cotton has declined by over Y2 | the landlady, saying that she wanted twenty- | the hon, member to the answer he gave on 2nd Trusts, is to raise the price of sugar, it is hoped lately, and the yarn market threatens to fall be- cent pieces instead of tens. This she received, alt. to the hon, member for North Hackney, in the recent proposal of an alliance between the by 30 sen per picul. The producing power of low Yest. Speaking of the position of spinning To make a long story short, Chan Ho came to which he stated that the Russian Government the Dai Nippon is calculated at 200,000 bags | companies, the Osaka journal goes on to say | the conclusion that she was not pleased with | had refused to submit the case to arbitration. | selzed upon the remarks as an occasion to and that of the Yokohama and the Kobe Refin. that in May and June last, when the market was the room and demanded her dollar bill back. ing companies at 29,000 bales each per month. comparatively low, and in view of the reduction The landlady, not hungrying for any trouble, regret at this decision, and have set forth in an. of imperialism and entangling alliances, while If the latter two companies combine, they still of the output of yarn, large speculative pur- returned the money, Miss Chan handing back official despatch the grounds on which they are the friends of the candidate interpret the decould not compete against the other company, chases of stock were made by dealers in the four twenty-cent pieces which she had red unable to share the views of the Imperial and they have no option but to follow the interior, the result being that the quantity con- ceived as change for her dollar bill. Curious to Government in declining to assent to their prodictates of the Dai Nippon. Should the tracted for this month does not represent more remark, soon after the lady's departure, the land- posal. As my right hon, friend stated in his now in operation in the Empire. The Kane. and four twenty-cent pieces which she had 11th ult., the attention of the Russian Governgainchi is the only company which has con- received from Chan Ho were counterfeit. This ment has again been called To the case of the the consumer for the benefit of the shareholders | possi of stock by the steady drop in American fine of \$170, or go to gool for a farther term of Malsoce and Fermara, and these cases are in Chinese Minister, has been design as an interpretation of the shareholders possi of stock by the steady drop in American fine of \$170, or go to gool for a farther term of Malsoce and Fermara, and these cases are in Chinese Minister, has been design as a farther term of Malsoce and Fermara, and these cases are in Chinese Minister, has been design as a farther term of the shareholders are in Chinese Minister, has been design as a farther term of the shareholders and Fermara, and these cases are in Chinese Minister, has been design as a farther term of the shareholders are in the shareholders. TAW COITON,

HON. MR. WEI YUK, C.M.G.

Friends of the Hon. Mr. Wei Yak, C M.G. will be interested to learn that invitations have been issued by His Excellency the Governor to the investiture of that gentleman with the Companionship of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, at Government House, on Wednesday, the 9th September, at 5.30 p.m.

THE CHINA SOUADRON.

H.M.S. "KING ALFRED'S" TARGET, PRACTICE. H.M.S. King Alfred carried out her annual Heavy Gunlayers' tosts at Weihaiwei on August 18. Considerable ill-luck was ex-

Middleton P. O. ..... A.1 Casemate. Martin, C. P. O. ......... g. Gass, P. O. I ...... 9 Budden, Lead, Seam.... 11 Brown, A. B..... 7 Hayward, P. O. I...... Osborne, P. O. 1 ... Smith, A. B. ..... Topless, A. B. ...... 4 Jago, C. P. O. ...... 10 Jeffery, Gnr. R. M.A.... 10 Lammerton Sgt. R. M. A. 7 Scutching, Gnr. R. M. A. to 4.3 Miller, Gara R. M. A. ... 10 Total number of

Rounds . . . 9.2" 17 rounds 12 hits. Average round each

C. P. O. Jago with 10 rounds 10 hits and Gnr. leffery and Gnr. Miller each with to rounds 9 hits are the best 6" shots and C.P.O. James 9 rounds 7 hits the best 9.2" shot, In the Heavy G. L. Test last year the record of the King Alfred was for

rounds hits hulls 9.2 Guns (2) ...... 19 19 15 6" , (16) ... ... 176 154 96. Average for 6" guns 11 10.25 6 This year the target has been considerably

reduced, being now but the size of the bulls-eye last year (10-ft. by 8-ft.) so that the firing of the ship is highly creditable. On August 19 H. M. S. Bedford carried out

her Annual Gun Layers Test and with her 6' Guns (12-in No) fired 91 rounds with 65 hits. Average per guo 7.59 rounds, 5.42 hits. Hawkins P.O. I was best shot with to rounds 8 hits.—N. C. D. News.

THE HUANGPU CONSERVANCY THE COMMISSION DEADLOCK.

The N. G. D. News, of 25th ulto., says:—So many rumours have been current in connectionwith the Huangpu Conservancy, that it may be advisable to state briefly what has bappened up to date. Towards the end of July. Mr. Ku Hung-ming brought to the notice of the Board alleged irregularities of a serious nature in regard to the dredging contract and the expenditure on the Huangpu Conservancy scheme. notice of Viceroy Tuan Fang, his Excellency Shanghai Taotai, Taotai Kwang of the Kiangnan Dock and Engineering Works, and Mr. Ku Hung-ming, to make a thorough investigation of the matter. The members of the Commission were unable to agree as to procedure, and they then obtained the consent of the Vicerov to delegate their duties to a Commission formed of Mr. W. A. Carlson (nominated by Mr. Hobson); Mr. J. O. Anderson (the Taotai's legal adviser, nominated by him); Mr. H. Du Flon Hutchison (nominated by Taota Kwang); and Mr. J. C. E. Douglas (Mr. Ku Hung-ming's nominee). The articles of reference were drafted and the commissions were ready for signature, when, at the last moment a hitch occurred owing, it is believed, to some supposition that there would be objections from the Consular Body. It does not appear, however, that the Consular Body has been consulted in the matter, and under Article XI of the Contervancy Agreement it is doubtfu whether it would have the right to intervene, its powers being limited to bringing to the notice of the Shanghai Customs Taotai and the Commis--sioner-of-Customs, any-want-of-diligence, care or economy. Only if no notice is taken of such representations has the matter to be referred to Poking. As a result of this temporary dead lock, Mr. Ku Hung ming is proceeding to Nanking to interview the Vicercy. In view of the nature of the allegations that have been made it would appear to be as much in the interests of fairness to both parties as for the general satisfaction of the community, that an investigation should be conducted by an independent Com-

#### FEMALE COUNTERFEITER CONVICTED.

mistion.

CURIOUS STORY UNFOLDED. A female swindler, who was found guilty of

uttering counterfeit coins; was dealt with in the month. The object of the proposal is to reduce | Police Court last Saturday. The woman-Chan Ho-appeared before Mr. J. H. Kemp on after October. It is stated that the council of three charges. She was accused of (1) being lin possession of four counterfeit twenty-cent it as inevitable, should the export of yarn con- pieces (2) passing off four twenty-cent pieces In regard to the prospect of the cotton yarn | counterfeit twenty-cent pieces. According to | returned to a similar question put by the hon. pension of spindles the monthly output of yarn the 16th ultimo, went to a house in Third Street, | effect that these particular cases are still before

PLUDR-MILLING IN MANCHURIA.

THE CONDITION OF THE MARKET.

market there is in a very depressed condition. by a Japanese gendarmo at Poking, which are The importation of flour into Manchuria during | sent by the correspondent of the Asaki, it the progress of the war and subsequent to its appears that the Captain was engaged a few conclusion had been greatly on the increase. I years ago as a teacher in the Chiuse Military A reaction, however, set in during the second College at Paoting fu, but was recalled by the half of last year, and the import of flour began | Japanese Government on account of misconto fall off. This tendency has been accentuate | duct and placed on the retired list, In June ed since the beginning of the present year. | last year he arrived in Poking with certain According to an estimate furnished by a re- documents alleged to relate to Japanese War liable authority, the total quantity of flour im- | secrets. At this time he was disguised as ported for this year will not exceed 800,000 a Chinese, assuming the Chinese name of sacks, which is less than one-third the quant- | Chang Su-tre, and the surname of Hok ity imported in 1906. All the flour merchants | Ling, of Kiangan. Moreover, he was lodging are suspending new orders and are trying at the house of a Chinese officer named Ting. to clear their stocks as quickly as possible, King. There it is alleged he was giving ineven at a loss. The importation of for- structions in military science to a class of some eign flour into" Manchuria in any quantity ten Chinese officers, and betraying the War began in 1897, but owing to the comparatively secrets of Japan, being paid at very high rates. low price of native-milled flour and cereals the His secret, says the Asahi correspondent, was foreign article could not make much headway. | detected by the Japanese gendarmes stationed Up to 1903 the quantity of foreign flour and in Peking as a Legation guard. On the 18t nually imported was too,000 sacks or there- ultimo gendarmes were sent to bring him to abouts. Subsequently the sudden expansion the Legation, whereupon he drew a sword and of the purchasing power of the natives on offered resistance, with the result already account of the war and the rise in silver resulted stated. Six trunks containing personal effects in a great increase in the import of flour." With were seized in his room. They were found to the fall of silver and the resumption of a normal | contain also many papers relating to military condition of exchange, however, the imports. affairs of a confidential nature. The incident tion of flour has begun to decline, resulting in took place in broad daylight and the news soon the existing dulness of the trade. In view of spread among the Chinese and Japanese the low scale of living prevailing in Man-residents. churin, it is believed that the demand for . At first the paticulars of the affair were kept -a-large-quantity-of-imported-flour-chimot-be-secret in consideration of the diplomatic relaexpected in the near future. The lise of the tions between Japan and China, for it is allegprice of flour owing to the fluctuation of ed a certain Chinese high official was involved exchange has been very great, "as may in the matter, though the Waiwupu was in no be seen from the fact that a brand that was way concerned. Not being aware of these cirquoted at Mukden at \$2.30 (Chinese currency) cumstances, continues the correspondent, the per sack in January last year is now sold at | Chinese Home Department considered the Sing. In such circumstances, it is not sur- action of the Japanese gendarmes in arresting. prising that the foreign flour trade in Manchu- Captain Kawakita in the house of a Chinese ria should experience such a depression as at subject, without giving notice to the Chinese present. 'Notwithstanding the unlavourable authorities, as an infringement of the sovereign condition of the imported article the trade in | tights of China, and on the 3rd ultimo a protest Manchurian flour is carried on satisfactorily. was lodged through the Waiwupu with the Ja-The product of the Manchuria Flour Mill Com- panese Minister in Peking against the action pany is very favourably received in the market. Of the gendarmes, to which a raply was made The "Red" and "Yellow Dragon" marks especially are selling tremendously. The qualities of these brands are said to compare favour- pondent, " ignorant of the circumstances, it ably with first-class American flour. "Red | wildly indignant at the action of the gendar-Dragon" brand at Tiebling is quoted at \$2.77 | mes and is attacking the Japanese authorities (equal to Y2.10 Japanese currency), being under cover of the simple principle of the law to sen cheaper than American flour of of nations. The Chinese newspapers declare a similar quality. It is generally believed that Japan, acting under the influence of her that the product of the Manchuria Flour Mill victory over Russia, may slight the Chinese Company will monopolise the flour market of Government, but cannot slight the Chinese Mukden before long. Harbin flour appears | people with impunity. They urge that, as a on the market from time to time, but owing to measure of retaliation, the Chinese authorities its inferior quality and high price its demand-leshould, without giving potice to the Japaneseis limited. As this year's wheat crop in Man- Government, arrest Chinese revolutionists who churia is very successful the native product is Lare taking shelter in Japan. likely to further extend its influence in the . "The Peking foreign diplomatic corps concur market, to the proportionate depression of the in the opinion that the course taken by the trade in foreign flour.

Company, in an interview regarding the prospects of the flour-milling industry in Man- rested a German criminal in a Chinese house churia, states that the industry in North Man- in the capital." churia, which had greatly expanded during the \_\_\_\_ The Araki has obtained the following DATwar, sustained a great blow owing to the rative from a gentleman who has just returned cessation of hostilities and the consequent from Peking to Tokyo:falling-off in the demand. Latterly, however, last. The supply of material is plentiful, as the churia is estimated at something like 3,000,000 Company is also giving assistance to our comthat our company is most fortunately situated as compared with the flour-milling people at home. At present the company is placing on which are 20 sen per sack cheaper in each instance as compared with flour manufactured in Japan. The present producing capacity of our mills is only 1,200 sacks, or 400 koku per day, and the price of the flour is comparatively his crime being discovered. He carried poison denr, but when mills are constructed and worked at Yinkow, Mukden and Antung, as proposed, a larger quantity will be offered at a reduced price, and it will not be difficult to effectually check the importation of foreign flour and to crush the native hand mills which are scattered about different parts of the pro-

#### RUSSIAN CAPTURES AT SEA.

In reply to a question by Mr. M'Arthur on 17th July as to the claims for compensation for losses sustained by the British ships St. Kilda, Hipsang, and Oldhamia during the Russo-

Tapanese war. Mr. J. A. Pease, on behalf of the Foreign Secretary, said: My right honourable friend and (3) with being in possession of thirty-nine has nothing at present to add to the answer be

His Majesty's Government have expressed their than the output of 40 per cent, of the spindles lady discovered that the eight ten-cent pieces answer to the hon, member for Darlington on tracts for all its output up till the end of next resulted in Chan Ho's arrest. On these charges | Calches, The Russian-Government have month, and all the other companies are mak. The accused was found guilty. She was sen- agreed to pay a lump sum in satisfaction of the ing strenuous efforts to dispose of this month's | tenced to three months hard labour on the first | claims arising out of the detention of the population of the published stateproduct, being driven to push forward the dis- and second charges, and on the third to pay a Peninsular, and Oriental Company's steamers

#### THE PERING ARREST. STRONG PROTEST OF THE CHINESE

GOVERNMENT.

According to intelligence from Maschuria . From further particulars of the circumstances published in the Japanese Press, the flour attending the shooting of Captain Kawakita,

on the 11th.

"The Chinese Press," remarks the corres-

Japanese authorities in such circumstances Mr. Goto, of the Manchuria Flour Mill was inevitable. There is said to be a precedent where the German authorities in Peking ar-

"Shortly after 11 o'clock on the morning of a revival has taken, place and sales are being the 1st ultimo a gendarmeric officer, with about steadily extended. At present there are six twenty men, all in private clothes, visited the flour mills at Harbin, of which three are run lodging of Captain Kawakita-the house of a under Russian management. The total Chinese officer named Ting-and applied for daily output of these six mills amounts for an interview with him. Captain Kawakita to 12,000 sacks, or 4,000 koku, which is was sitting in an inner room. Apparently almost equal to the daily production of he was about to run away, but the house all the mills in Japan. Harbin flour is was surrounded by gendarmes and he came chiefly supplied to the Eastern Chinese Railway out. After exchanging a few words with the district, the Amur and Vladivostok districts, I gendarmerie officer, Captain Kawakita drew a When these allegations were brought to the Changchun and neighbourhood. South Man- sword and tried to attack the gendarmes. churia, however, is almost entirely free from A hard struggle ensued, and during the excitenominated a. Commission, composed of Mr. its invasion, "With regard to the flour-mil- ment someone fired a revolver and Captain H. E. Hobson (Commissioner of Customs), the ling industry in South Manchuria," continued | Kawakita fell, whereupon the gendarmes poun-Mr. Goto, "practically there are no mills ced upon and arrested him. He was alive until worthy of note except those at Tiehling belong- the party reached the front of the Legation. ing to the Manchuria Flour Mill Company. There he expired. One of the trunks select in Our mills, situated at a few minutes' walk from his room was found to be full of military maps the Tichling, are very conveniently located for and documents, among which were included a the collection of raw materials and the distri- man of the Hiroshima fortifications, of which he bution of the manufactured product. The was a staff-officer at one time, and papers, relatworking of the mills was commenced in June | ing to the Russo-Japanese War belonging to the 5th or Hiroshima Army Division, which he stole average annual yield of wheat in South Man- | during the time he was attached to the headquarters of the Army Division. He sold the secret koku. The price of Manchurian wheat is also I papers to the Chinese War Office. 'Among the about Y2.50 per koku cheaper than that of the I mans sold were mans of Manchuria, Port Arthur, panese article. In addition to this our com- and the district about Mukden, which were pany has the benefit of a loan of Y100,000 from drawn from practical surveys. The sale of the the Yokohama Specie Bank , without any documents was negotiated for the War Office security, the Eastern Chinese Railway is carry. by high Chinese officers. Captain Kawakita ing our company's goods at half the regular | was receiving not less than 1,000 taols a month, freight, while the South Manchuria Railway | Of this sum he was spending only 200 or 300 tacls, remitting the remainder to his family in pany in various directions. It must be said Tokyo. The total amount of money so remitted is said to have exceeded to,oop table. It was in the autumn of 1906 that he was dismissed from service in the Chinese army. He arrived the market-four brands of flour, the prices of a second-time in Paking in lanuary. last: Owing to the illness of his child, he returned to

Tokyo, but went back to Peking again in February. "It seems that he lived in apprehension of with him, presumably to swallow in the event of his arrest. In a trunk belonging to the officer was found a will, in which he requested that his eldest son should be sent to an imporial University, in addition to detailed instructions as to his wife's future.

At first the Chinese authorities protested against the action of the gendarmes, but when it was impressed upon them that the protest' would lead to the exposure of the fact that the deceased officer had been tempted by the Chiness authorities to commit the crimel-of-which he was accused, the protest was dropped."-Japan Chronicle.

AMERICA AND CHINA.

THE SUGGESTED ALLIANCE.

Washington, August 25. Candidate William H. Taft has caused a circles by statements made to-day in a speech, in rat and declared that the United States should aid in the development of China, The speech has been widely reported and the dictum on China has been given a special significance in view of United States and China, The opposition has point a moral and adorn a tale of the dangers a claration as throwing a new light upon the castern situation and point the way for American diplomacy.—Cablenesus American,

The New York Press refuses to discuss the proposed alliance between America and China. suggested by the New York Herald, and merely laughs at the proposal as the "usual empty ment attributed to Mr. Wu Ting-lang, the

LIFE SAVING. PROPOSED VOLUNTEER EMERGENCY CORPS.

It is proposed to raise a Volunteer Emergency Corps for the purpose of saving life on the harbour front during typhoons. Life buoys, ropes, &c., will be provided at convenient intervals along the Prays, and the sea front at

Kowloon. ' As a cortain amount of organisation is required to ensure co-operation and secure the best results, it is necessary that intending volunteers shall pledge themselves to obey the orders of the officer in charge of the party, who will be the Assistant Harbour Master, or one of the Harbour Department Boarding Officers or some other Government officer deputed by the Harbour Master or by the Captain Superintendent of Police.

Any person who is willing to volunteer for the Victoria Corps is requested to communicate his name, private address, and place of business to the Harbour Master in order that he may be allotted a station as near as possible to the place in which he may be expected to be

Volunteers for the Kowloon Corps are similarly requested to send, in their names to the Captain Superintendent of Police. The foregoing appears as a notification in the current issue of the Government Ganette.

SHIPPING CASUALTIES IN . JAPAN.

UNUSUALLY PREVALENT.

The list of shipping casualties is usually small at this time of the year, owing to the fact that the sea is as a rule fairly calm between April and September. This year, however, has proved an exception, as may be judged from the fact that between the 25th of July and the 9th August eight steamers, with an aggregate tonnage of 6,827, were stranded or wrecked, the amount covered by insurance aggregating Y401,000. The names of the steamers coming to grief and the amount of insurance covered on each vessel are as

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" ROUGH ON	RATS."
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THE VALUE OF	'RATIN."

The following manutes relative to the reports on experiments conducted in Indian laboratories on Indian field and house rats with Ratin N. were considered by members of the Sanitary. Board at their fortnightly meeting last Tuesday aft**ern**oon :—

Hon. Colonial Secretary,-May I have permission to circulate these papers to the Sanitary Board? So far, "Common Sense Poison" has proved

best in Hongkong. The Indian Government might be asked to inform us what poison they have found

most efficacious. Ratin is evidently of little use. It is of some use as a poison, but as starting an infectious disease communicable to other rats it is worthless. So far, plague, the most infective discuse among rate, has not reduced the rat population to any appreciable extent.

(Sd.), C. McI. MESSER, Head, Sanitary Dept.

The following was the conclusion arrived at by the Indian authorities with regard to the efficiency of "Ratin" on rats :-

"Ratin" has now been given a thorough tria on two occasions. There is on this second occasion no ground for the suggestion that the "Ratin" was dead, as experiment proved it to be alive and virulent; so one must come to the conclusion that "Ratin" as a measure against Indian field and house rats is a failure.

Mr. A. Shelton Hooper minuted:-This very interesting and should be discussed. fail to see any reason (or asking the Colonial Secretary's permission to circulate these papers to the members of the Board, considering the Government sent them to the Board.

Mr. Lau Chu, Pak; -- l suppose this poison. . will also kill cats, which people are advised In Chinese houses, it is not safe to. leave poison all over the place. The Medical Officer of Health: - Will it kill

COTTON YARN MARKET.

children?

GLOOMY PROSPECT OF JAPANESE EXPORTS TO CHINA.

The export of yarn to China continues depressed, shipments having almost entirely stopped, while the home market is lifeless. The reduction of the output by 27.5 per cent for five months from May 1st last has slightlyimproved the position, but the outlook for these than one half of the whole number of shares of export to China,-the Japan Chronicle says, is | the company. After this Mr. Hirako, managing gloomy, with no prospect of improvement in director, and Mr. Shiraishi, vice-president, prothe near future. A proposal to extend the term of restricted output by five months, and to revive the five holidays a month arrangement, is to be considered at a meeting of spinners to-day.--if-the-proposal is adouted. the putput will be reduced by 40 per cent. It is pointed out that the total output of yarn in Japan is 960,000 bales, of which 360,000 bales are exported and 600,000 consumed in / Japan. If the production is reduced by 40 per cent, it means the discontinuance of nightwork at all the mills. The total output will then be reduced to 576,000 bales, which quantity is scarcely sufficient to supply the home demand. As a result the market for Japanese | the directors, and the fulpre of the company is yarn which has been established in South and Central China during the past ten years. rendered possible by the outbreak of plague in India, may be recaptured by Indian yarn.

According to the Asalianot much importance is attached to the proposal of further restriction of output. It is pointed out that the total number of spindles among the mills in the Empire | typhoon, and has again to suffer from its engaged in spinning coarse yarn is 960,000, ravages, when it has scarcely emerged from all Of this number, 250,000 are sealed up to maintain a reduction of output as agreed upon | September, 1906. Fortubately, the wires anby the spinning companies, and 70,000 or 80,000 | nounce that timely warning was afforded by are lying idle either for repairs or owing to a | the Observatory, and the loss of life has not lack of operatives, so that the actual number of been so great, though the damage to ship. spindles in operation is not more than 600,000, ping, and property, is considerable, ... The Therefore, as these idle spindles would be taken | list of strandings and collisions is unforinto account, the reduction of output proposed | tunalely considerable, and much damage, is would be only nominal. There are a few new | reported amongst the numerous launches spinning mills in course of construction, but | that usually render Hopgkopg harbour 'so most of them are for silk or fine yers. The lively a speciacle. This also means, as a rule. only new coarse yarn mills are the Akashi mill | much damage amongst lighters and small craft of the Setten Spinning Company and the used for loading and noloading steamers. Still, Takasago mill of the Kapegaluchi Company, there is reason to hope that the total claims of entry, and purchased at a public auction of in default of defendants on the 20th ultimo. and the number of spindles in these new mills ! will not be so heavy as two years ago, They sellmated at no more than to,000,

CEITINGS AND STAIR-LININGS.

COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

Al the fortulghtly meeting of the Sanitary Board, last Tuesday afternoon, the following report of the committee appointed to consider the question of the removal of ceilings and stair-linings, was considered:-

1. The committee are of opinion that scheme for a compulsory and systematic removal of ceilings and stair-linings should be adopted as a means to prevention of rat infestation, subject to certain expenses being paid by the Government and the granting of exemp tions in particular cases.

2. The committee recommends that byelaws in the following sense be made by the Boards under section 16 s.s. 3; (G).

(al) The Board may define any district of any portion thereof as an area within which, upon two weeks' notice being given, all ceilings and stair-linings shall be forthwith removed.

(b.) The Board may grant any exemption or modification to the above order upon any conditions that the Board may deem advisable.

(c.) The Sanitary Department shall, at its. expense, remove such ceilings and stairlings, paint, limewash or colour-wash any. surfaces exposed by such removal and take such steps to make floors watertight as the Board may deem proper; and in addition thereto or in lieu thereof, the Sanitary Department shall grant such compensation as the Board may consider sufficient.

Mr. A. Shelton Hooper minuted :- This should not apply to European houses or offices. Two weeks' notice is too short:

Mr. Lau Chu Pak :- I do not think a distinction should be made. The committee appointed for the carrying out of this work will no doubt, see that proper justice is done and, as little friction as possible caused.

JAPANUSE SUGAR REFINING COMPANY

SERIOUS ACCUSATION BY VERNACULAR

The Osaka Asaki brings a serious accusation against the directors of the Nagoya Sugar Refining company. Since the Dai Nippon, Yokobama, and Kobe Sugar Refining companies have been in full operation, says the Osaka journal, the production of sugar has begun to exceed the demand, and the companies have been making the handsome profits shown by their balance sheets only by virtue of an agreement among themselves to restrict the output. The Nagoya Sugar Refining Company, essublished in December 1905, with a capital of Y1,000,000, of which Y500,000 is paid up, is under the management of Mr. Shiraishi Heisuke, President; Mr. Shiraishi Fushjiro, Vice-President: and Mr. Hirako Toku-yemon Managing Director. These gentlemen, despite the wishes expressed by the shareholders to wind up the concern, have been pushing on preparations for opening business. Shares of sugar-refining companies have fallen considerably, despite the dividends paid. Even the quotations of shares of the Toyo, Toa, Meiji, and Ensuiko Sugar Refining companies have fallen below the amount paid up, and those of the Nagoya Company, Y25 paid up, lell as low as 'Ye at one time. Since a report was recently circulated that the Dai Nippon would purchase the Nagoya company, its shates have slightly recovered; but the price realised for some 6,000 of the unpaid shares of the company, disposed of by public auction on the 17th instant, was only a little over Yo each on an average. Machinery capable of producing too tons a day, imported through the Yonei Shoten; a Tokyo firm. arrived recently at Nagoya, but many of the shareholders having failed to pay the amount of share money called up, the company is experiencing difficulty in settling the bill for the machinery, "While the directors of the company, having personally guaranteed the payment, were striving hard to find means to settle the bill, the Dai Nippon let out a hint that it was not unwilling to purchase all the shares (20,000) of the company in order to prevent any more sugar-refining companies being promoted. The directors of the Nagoya company were, says our contemporary, as pleased, at this news as a thirsty man is at the prospect of obtaining water.. But this tempted the directors to form an intrigue. At the middle of last month, a certain gentleman, well acquainted with a leading Kobs merchant who has large interests in the Kobe Sugar Refining Company. Blopped at Nagoya on his way-from Kobe to Tokyo, and had a protracted interview with the duectors of the Nagoya compay. This gave rise to a rumour that the Nagoya company was to be incorporated with the Kobe company, Strangely enough, the directors of the company declared that a call would be made on the shares, and this terrified the shareholders into disposing of their shares at any price. Thereupon the directors purchased over 4,000 shares at a nominal amount through secret agents, and acquired about 6,000 shares at the auction on the 17th ultimo at about Y9 each as mentioned. Altogether they acquired over 11,000, shares—more ceeded to Tokyo and offered to sellthe company to the 'ai Nippon. The terms proposed, says the journal, are advantageous only to the directors

THE RECENT TYPHOON.

They are to the effect that the shares held by

the directors should be bought at Y25, the

prid-up amount, those acquired by them at the

price at which the hammer fell-about Yo

each-and those held by others at any rrice

the Dai Nippon thought fit to offer. Messrs.

Hirako and Shiraishi signed a provisional

agreement in Tokyo, but they have not yet an-

nounced the result. Even moderate Nagova

shareholders will not passively submit them-

selves to such despotic action on the part of

Hongkong has again been visited by a the blows delivered by the severe visitation of expected to be very berry.- L &. C. Andreis. GOAT PLESH FOR INDIAN ZROOPS.

QUESTION OF SLAUGHTER FEES.

Correspondence relative to slaughtering animals outside Slaughter Houses for consideration in connection with the question of calling for tenders for next, years Slaughter House contract, was considered by the Sanitary Board last Tuesday afternoon. Appended is the correspondence:--

Head, Sanitary Department,-Formerly, all goals except a very few were slaugh terrid in the Hunghom Slaughter House. For those slaughtered in the Slaughter House, the contractor collected a fee.

Now as the slaughter house is a longer way | for the decision are given as follows:off at Ma Tau Kok, the Indian troops have taken to killing the goat all in the Barracks. This they are entitled to do under section 62 of Ordinance 1 of 190 -

The contractor is now trying to collect his fee and is pressing Tang Wing who, under the name of Arculti, has the contract for supplying the Indian troops with goat flesh (see letter attached).

I am afraid that the contractor must lose. though he could hardly bave anticipated this contingency when he took the contract. ADAM GIBSON.

18th August, 1908.

Colonial Veterinary -Surgeon,-We had better await further development. C. McI. Messer.

18th August, 1908.

Hongkong, 15th August, 1908 Dear Sir, - We have the honour to inform you that we pray you to tell the tax contractor if he come again, that though he wished money but we are not lawful to pay him, because the goats were not slaughtered within the Slaughter House but they were slained by the Indians and the native troops themselves in their own places, therefore it is no matter to me, and we had never given to the old contractors before. If he wouldn't lisen to my word then we beg him to ask the Government for it and proclaim what he want to say; with obliged.-We

Tung Wing Butchery.

The petition from Mr. Ng Kwong, No. 45, Connaught Road Central. Sheweth:-That since he took over the contract for Kowloon Slaughter House on January 1st, 1908, he has found from inquity made that lung Wing, mutton stall holder No. 1. Central Market, who has been in the habit of supplying goat flesh daily to the Indian Barracks at Kowloon, after he has slaughtered the goats, he supplies the flesh to the soldiers with the exception of skins and entrails, which he keeps back for himself. From which it can be seen; without any doubt. that he actually slaughters goats there. Your petitioner has on many occasions asked Tung Wing for payment of slaughtering fees, but he refused. Petitioner, also states that he pays to the Government a sum of \$11,232.00 in a year for the contract for slaughtering cattle, swine, sheep and goats for Kowloon and some other places. Government Slaughter House bye-law No. 2 of 1903 says in effect that if any person wants to slaughter goals he has to pay a fee of 20 cents per head to the contractor. From information received he finds that Tung Wing slaughters over 260 in a month; so from January up to the present date he has slaughtered over 2,000 goats without paying any fee to your petitioner; so the

privilege your petitioner has lost is very great. That under the above circumstances he prays that your. Honour will kindly see yourway clear to instruct Tung Wing to pay him in accordance with the Government contract the amount of slaughtering fees for the number of goats he has already slaughtered, for which favour your petitioner as in duty bound will

ever pray. To the Secretary, - Sanitary Board,

20th August, 1908.

The Hon. Registrar-General minuted:-The successful tenderer should be made to establish slaughter houses, at convenient centres, or the alternative to waive his rights over-places which are out of range:

REGISTRATION OF TRADE-MARKS.

MESSRS, JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.'S APPLICATION REJECTED.

The Patent Bureau on the 15th ult. rejected an application sent in by Messrs. lardine. a registration of the trade-mark "Comet." The Japan Gazette states that the firm, in their pet tion, asked that the trade-mark " Comet" be registered as No. 40.788. The Patent authoriing the representation of a comet itself. The Patent authorities maintain that the firm's application is to be treated under No. 4 of Art. 2 of the Trademark Law and thus dismissed the application.

> GRIFFINS. FIRST SHANGHAI SALES.

The N. C. D. News of 27th August save:-The season's first sales of griffins were held at the Shanghai Horse Bazaar on Tuesday and yesterday evenings. Buyers were fairly numerous and the prices were satisfactory, generally, although no large amounts were paid. On Tuesday a pice white popy fatched Tis. 250 and a useful looking brown went at Tls. CLAIM ON BILLS OF EXCHANGE 220. Yesterday a very likely looking dark grey, attracted a good deal of attention, but bidding was not insistent and it was knocked down for Tis. 160. Another pony that suggested possibilities of success on the track-a nice grey-held up the hammer until Tis, 150 was scale. Entrance foe Tis. 5.

ARTEMPT TO SELL A MAP TO RUSSIA.

SERIOUS CHARGE AGAINST JAPANESE.

The decision is published of the preliminary examination, on a charge of violation of the War Secret Protection Law, of Ishiyama Shinichiro, a barrister, of Sapporo, and Kushi tani Kunimetsu, barbour-works engineer, also of the Hokkaido, who attempted to sell a confidential map of the Maisuru Naval Station to the Russian Legation in Toyko, reports the Jupan Chronicle of 23rd ult. The case has been committed for trial in the Court of Major Crimes." The arrest of the accused has alread been referred to in our columns. The reasons

Kushitani Kunimatsu was a gishu (assistan) civil angineer) in the Navy and served in the Temporary Navy Construction Bureau being "chiefly engaged in the drawing of plans. About August, 1900, he obtained and concealed in his house a photographic reproduction of a map of the Maizuru Naval Station, which was ranked as a military secret. Knowing the nature of the map, Kushitani, in conjunction. with Ishida Chintaro, proposed to sell it and make a large profit. He cut the map into 26 fragments, and in May, 1907, handed two of the pieces to Ishiyama Shinichiro at the latter's house at Kita-Nijo Nishi-shichome, Sapporo, in the Hokkaido, and on June 5th, 1907, dispatched cleven of the cut pieces of the map by parcels post to Ishiyama at the Ariake-kwan, a hotel at Tsukiji, Tokyo. Ishiyama Shinichiro, knowing that the map was of a confidential nature, received "thirteen fragments from Kushitani," as mentioned. On June 1st, 1907, Ishiyama, under a certain pretext, summoned Suzuki Shozo, Japanese Interpreter in the Russian Legation, to the Arlake-kwan, and showed him the thirteen fragments map, telling that he could obtain

remaining. thirteen fragments" to make the map complete at any time from the holder, and asked Suzuki to sell the map to the Russian military attaché for him, at the same time handing one of the fragments to him as a

The facts have been fully established by evidence, and the action of Kushitani falls under the purview of Article I. of the War Secrets Protection Law (which renders him liable to penal servitude from twelve to fifteen years). and the action of Ishiyama falls under Article I of the same law (which renders him liable to imprisonment from 9 to 11 years).

JAPAN AS A MARITIME POWER.

INTERVIEW WITH COUNT OKUMA:

The "Sage of Wascda," as Count Okuma is sometimes called, continues to enliven the -columns-of-the-Japanese Press-by-his sprightly. eloguence. Interviewed by a representative of the Hocht, Count Okuma dilated on the tremeddous possibilities of Japan as a ser Power. His conversation, if somewhat devoice of solid argument, will nonetheless be read with interest. Although the German Emperor openly declares, says Count Okuma, that the future expansion of his country lies, seawards, this would appear to be an idle boast on the part of the Kaiser. Germany is neither a maritime nor a mountainous country; it is a country main ly consisting of plains. No flat country has ever made any startling development. Japan, however, is situated in entirely different surroundings. All the places where Japanese influence s felt are touched by the sea. From Saghalien to Formosa; and from the Korean peninsula to the Behring Straits the aggregate length o the coast line under Japan's influence reaches nearly 10,000 miles. No country in the world possesses such an extensive coast line as Japan. Herein lies her strong point. Nothing can more inspire a people with a spirit of ambition and adventure than life in a sea-girt country. It is recorded in Japanese history that at those periods when the country was split up by internecine strife many intrepid adventurers attempted expeditions across the sea. A parallel may be found in the Middle Ages in European history, when piracy was engaged in on a gigantic scale, towns being captured and even countries being conquered by sea marauders. Denmark and Scandinavia furnish many such instances. Modern warships, in the construction of which all civilised countries are competing, may be regarded as a development of

the piratical fleets of those times. The dismal failure in which the ambitions of Napoleon Bonaparte culminated, with all his greatness, must be attributed to his failure to take proper advantage of the sea. The fal of Spain and the rise of the British Empire may be cited as notable examples of failure to utilise the sea on the one hand and its successful exploitation on the other. Perhaps, wit the exception of the poles, all the islands scatter-Matheson & Co., No. 1, Yokohama, asking for ed about on the face of the globe have been taken poisession of by one country or another, whereas the seas which comprise two thirds o the carth are owned by nobody and offer stupendous possibilities for any people ambiti ties rejected the application on the ground ous enough to seek their fortunes in this vas that the above trade-mark is similar to field. The seas harbour in their bosoms untold that Thready registered as No. 15,287 which millions of wealth to be gathered by anybody represents a comet, though the word who is plucky enough to essay the task "Comet" is not attached to the latter. The Heaven has favoured Japan in surrounding her firm protested, contending that their trade with these wealth-laden seas. There is no mark in the application is represented by the reason why a sea-faring people like the

word "Comet," whereas the already-registered | Japanese should not do something great on the trademark No. 15,287 is represented by the sea. Another strong point to be urged in picture of a comet, so that there is a difference | favour of Japan is that undoubtedly she is the between the two. Furthermore, the firm country which possesses the largest number of urged that their trademark applied for will be ships in the world. "In-saying this of course remembered by the public as being represent. the tonnage is left out of consideration, and ed by a character and the No. 15,287 as bear- | craft of all sorts, from the leviathan warship I down to the small fishing boat, are included True, Great Britain is said to possess half the tonnage in the world, but as far as number is concerned the palm will have to be accorded to Japan. With an extensive coast-line and a large number of ships at her command the future of Japan as a maritime country must be said to be very promising. President Roosevelt believes that the United States will in the future be predominant in the Pacific, but this must remain merely a question of the future. Perhaps the President's remark may refer to the political influence of America. To counterbalance this, Japan should expand her interests on the sea along peaceful and economic lines. - Japan Chronicle.

L DHANJIBHOY B. PRTIT AND COMPANY t, VARMA AND COMPANY.

reached. None of the remainder brought high the Kobe Chiho Saibansho in the action brought figures. Chinese dealers were on the by Dhar jibhoy B. Petit & Company, of Bomlookout for harness ponies, but they bay, against Jamsedjee Maneckjee Namporia superior class. did not purchase to any great extent, and Chugon Khersj, proprietors of Varma & Co. Tuesday evening Captain Keylock No. 38b. Kobe, for the recovery of Y174,594.04 stated that the officers of H. M. China on bills of exchange drawn on the defendants! Squadron had offered to present a cup under firm for shipments of raw cotton. As already the following conditions: British Navy Cup, stated, it was alleged that the defendant firm One Mile, Presented. Second pony Tis, 100. accepted the bills, took delivery of the raw If five or more starters third pony Tis, 75. For cotton and sold it, but failed to meet the bills China ponies being bonn fide griffins at date when they became due. The case was heard of Shanghai Race Club at an actual cost of not live Judgment was delivered vesterday in favour. to be brought into operation by April-pext is may be numerous, but individual losses are not more than Hs 150 ... Weight for inches as per of plaintiffs, and defendants were ordered to pay to plaintiff the sum claimed with costs.

CONTON SPINNING IN TIBNTSIN.

THE NEW MILLING CO.

The two Chinese officials who have been selected by Taotai Chow Hush-hai, Managing Director of the future Chinese Cotton Spinning and Weaving Mill in Tientsin, for proceeding to England and other European and Japanese countries, to make personal investigations about foreign mills, will leave here for Europe via the Trans-Siberian route in a few days, a the expense of the Provincial Government of Chihli; because the proposed mill will be established by the Polyang Vice-royalty, reports the China Critic.

After the return of these two delegates next year Tactai Chow will then proceed to obtain the sum of Tis, 5,000,000 or \$5,000,000 As capital, entirely from Chinese sources, for the establishment of this mill, after foreign methods. so as to compete with the foreign mills in China, and also to check the yearly increased import of foreign cotton and cotton yarn into this Empire.

The machinery, which was formerly purchased by the Tartar-General of Ill for the establishment of a cotton mill at Ili, has been given to Vicercy Yang of Chihli, who is now consulting the Board of Commerce in Peking about the purchase of a new set of spinning and weaving machinery from the United States, so that a first class mill may be established in-North China.

Commerce to provide funds for the enlarge- off Commandersky Island, not eight miles as ment and reorganization of the Chinese Govern- alleged. She was then running under full sail. ment cotton mill at Yangtzepu, Shanghai, which was established many years ago by H.E. | the Russian territorial waters was thirty miles Sheng Kung-pao, in 'order to improve the from the shore, so that whether the vessel was Chinese cloth trade in course of time.

The Chinese authorities in North China are paying considerable attention to the proposed mill at Tientsin, because if it be properly managed it will help much to reduce the import of foreign cotton yarn into China in future.

Taotai Chow is making some preliminary preparations so that the big industrial enterprise may be established in this part of the Chinese Empire before 1910.

Tagtai Chow, who was once sait commissioner of Tientsin, is taking an active part in the promotion of Chinese industries in North China at the present time, for he is also the managing Director of the Lanchow Mining and the Peking Water Works Companies.

> NEW FRENCH COUNCIL BUILDINGS IN SHANGHAI.

Work is proceeding apace on the new Erench Council buildings which are in course of construction at the corner of Avenue Paul Brunat and the Rue Soy Chan. The buildings will include a fire station, infirmary and gaol and will be of four storeys, surmounted by watch tower ninety feet in height. Externally the buildings will be faced with fed brick and roofed with corrugated galvanized iron. The floors, where they are wood, will be Singapore red-wood, carried, in some in stances, on joists of Oregon pine and it other cases of Singapore hard wood. The buildings will be grouped round a quadrangle which forms the police yard, on the north side of which will be the police offices, over which are the quarters for the Chipese police with windows on the north and south side. On the west side there are two large sheds, one with room for forty rickshas and the other accommodatingsix carriages. As these are entirely open to the yard the work of inspecting the vehicles will be greatly facilitated. Over these sheds are the quarters for the Annamite police. Or the south side are the quarters for the European members of the staff, the ground floor being given up to general and common rooms. At the west end of this building is a lecture room, accommodating over sixty persons, an assembly room and reading room with a verandah fronting south, and at the eastern end are the dining rooms, etc. The three upper floors provide private rooms for members and quaiters for the servants. On the east side of the quadrangle there is a detached single storied block in the centre of the yard containing the prisoners' cells which are so arranged: as to be easily inspected by the guards. bough separate cells are not provided for each prisoner, sufficient have been constructed to provide for separate confinement where it might be deemed accesary. Each of the cells is provided with an iron grille opening on to the yard and all the windows are barred. The walls and the floors of each cell are cemented and a slightly raised platform is provided on which prisoners can sleep. Entering the gaol from Avenue Paul Brunat, to the right of the archway are the reception rooms, wherein the pri soners are received before being placed into the cells, and at the southern end of the wing is the large kitchen. The workshop occupies the centre of the south si to of the square and can be opened on all sides in summer. The cells

already referred to are on the eastern side, fiftyone on each of the four floors. The fire brigade faces the Avenue Paul Brunat and on the ground floor there is room for the fire engine, escape, reel, and automobile engine, each standing opposite its own door and being easily reached by the men and horses, so that no delay should be experienced in ketting away sharply in response to a call. The watch tower, besides providing an excellent vantage point, will also be used as drying room for the hose. On the first floor of the building are the quarters for the Volunteer firemen, with verandah facing east, and in the attic storey the Chinese fire coolies will find accommodation. A sliding pole from the top to the bottom of the building will enable the men to gut down rapidly, and the installation of electric light and alarm bells .ineach room will preclude the possibility of beavy sleepers not being awakened. A dril yard is at the back. Behind the fire station are more quarters for Chinese, and still further back are other quarters for Europeans. On the ground floor of this particular block is the afternoon after 4; p.m. Director's room, with private garden and private carriage drive.

.The infirmary is on the north side of the square, facing south, and it has sufficient rooms to accommodate filteen persons, each with a separate kitchen, and there are also private apartments for the Superintendent and Assistant, together with a day room, the latter of | states that on Thursday after which can be used as a dispensary. In the Shipowners' Guild hald a meetla Judgment was delivered on 22nd ultimo in north-eastern corner is the women's prison and principal shipowhere of Tokio and south of this is the prison for Europeans, with were present, when the following four entirely separate cells for Chinese of the were considered :--

> . A separate building in the centre of the yard | fixed for specified cargo. is to be utilized as a powder magazine. It is: 2,-That a pool or trust of steamshim detached entirely from all other buildings. The be established walls are double with a cavity between and the . After a lengthy discussion, it was agreed to

floor is raised to prevent soakage. Altogether the block should prove admirable first being rejected on the ground that it would for the purpose for which it is being built. In be impossible to make all shipowaers strictly appearance it may not be striking from an observe conventional rates. No details were architectural point of view, as general utility gone into, these being left to the Directors of more than artistic effect has been almed at. the Guild to settle. At present there are about .The architects in charge of the building are I twenty shipowners in the league, with yeares Mosers. Davies and Tannas -- N. C. D. News. | wie, representing 135,000 tons.

THE "MIE-MARU" AFFAIR STATEMENT OF THE CAPTAIN.

Japanese papers, on the 10th ulto, state the negotiations between the Japanese and Russian Governments for the settlement of the Mis-mark affair are progressing favourably. The detailed report on the affair is now on its way to St. Retersburg, and the progress of the negotiations is meanwhile at a standatill. The Russian Government, however, admits the injustice of the seizure of the Mis-mars, and it is believed that the matter will be amicably settled: before long. It is added that the frequent occurrence of trouble of this kind is due to a misunderstanding of Government's instructions on the part of the authorities on the Siberian Seaboard, and instructions have been issued by: the St. Petersburg Government ordering the local authorities to refrain from seiring Japan-

"A Viadivostok dispatch to the Asaki states that Captain Nomura, master of the Mis-mare. was briefly examined by the District Count at Vladivostok on the 8th ultimo and was then released on bail. Captain Nomura was examined regarding the object of the voyage of his vessel and as to the places where he was engaged in fishing. Then the Court informed Captain Nomura that his vessel had been seized because it was poaching in Russian territorial waters. -He was asked: whether he protested against the seizure, and if so to state

The Captain protested against the seisure and denied having engaged in fishing in Viceroy Tuan Fang, of the Liangkiang Russian territorial waters. The Mic-mars was Provinces, has been advised by the Board of arrested at a point twelve or thirteen miles The Court pointed out that the boundary of eight miles or thirteen away made no difference. The Captain said that so far as his knowledge went the limit of territorial waters was three miles. He had never heard that the limit was thirty miles. The United States observed the three mile limit. He repeated that he was passing beween two islands, and was not en-

gaged in fishing. This concluded the examination and the Captain was released on bail.

Speaking of his experience to an interviewer, Captain Nomura stated that the outbreak of the trouble which resulted in the death sentence on the six men was chiefly due to the cruel treatment meted out by the Russian authorities. The crew were subjected to the most atrocions treatment. For instance, two men fell sick at Nikolajevsk, but no medica assistance was given, and their request forl. medicine was refused. For this reason, one died on the steamer on the way to Vladivostok. and the other was placed in hospital at Viadivostok, where he was then lying in a very dangerous condition. The sick man and the dead body were conveyed on the same horse dray from the landing stage at Viadivostok. The dead body was left uncared for six days, from the ard to the 8th ultimo. On leaving prison Captain Nomura took delivery of the body from the hospital and had it cremated. The body was decomposed to such an extent as to involve great difficulty in putting it into the coffin: It was impossible to understand why the body was left uncared for in the hospital for so many days. Nine men had now been taken ill. This was due to lack of nonrishment provided and the extremely missrable accommodation of the prison at Nikolalevski

> THE JAPANESE IN SAN PRANCISCO.

IMPROVEMENT OF RELATIONS WITH AMERICANS.

A Tokyo dispatch to the Osaka Asahi states that—the-leading-lapanese-residents-in-San Francisco recently formed themselves into an association, and, in conjunction with Mr. Koike. Japanese Consul-General, have been assiduous. ly working to promote friendship between the Iapanese and the people of San Francisco. As a result the Japanese have become closely ansociated with the municipal functions of the city, and there is no longer any; barrier, between the Japanese and the municipal authorities. When the murderers of Mr. Munakata. manager of the Golden Gate Bank (a Japanese concern) at San Francisco, were executed on the 11st ultimo the United States authorities specially invited the presence at the execution of the representatives of the Tapapese. On their side the Tapapese declined the invitation, stating that there was no need for them to be represented, but the U.S. authorities pressed the invitation; upon thom, and Mr. Nakajima Kenkichi was present at the execution. The dispatch adds that social intercourse between the lapanese and Americans in San Francisco has much improved in cordiality, and Messrs. Nakalima and Nagasawa, the leaders of the Ispanese Association, are striving earnestly to promote social intercourse. They have become closely intimate with the editors of those San Francisco papers which at one time endeavoured strongly to stir up anti-lapanese feeling among the the people. Thus a better understanding has now been established between the Japan and the people of San Francisco, and none of newspapers in San Francisco now att Japanese.- Lapan Chronicle....

CHOLERA AT THE VAN PORTS,

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the second proposal should be adopted the

#### pium in Hongkong.

IR HENRY BLAKE'S DEFENCE. MR. CLEMENTI'S MEMORANDUM.

-Sir Henry Blake writes to The Times !-Dealing with the Colonial Office Vote in Committee of Supply, Mr. Lyttelton called attention the Colonies to the Governor of Hongkong that all opium divan's must be closed. The Hongkong Press has shown the irritation provoked by the evidence given with somewhat brutal frankness that the Governments of Crown Colonies must not expect the respectful conmideration that is given to local views in selfgoverning Colonies, even to the extent previous investigation on the spot before instructions are issued that profoundly affect the well-being of the Colony. By order of the Governor of Hongkong papers have been prepared by Mr. Clementi, Assistant Colonial Secretary of Hongkong, a distinguished Chinese scholar, and one of the ablest of the Civil servants of the Crown, that ought to be "in the hands of every member of Parliament who is interested in the anti-opium crusade. He has dealt with the question of opium smoking in China and in Hongkong. According to the best available information, about 1 per cent. of the 400,000,000 of Chinese smoke opium: but of the 60,000,000 of Szechusn province, where of per cent, of the Chinese opium is grown, of which crop 91 per cent. is consumed in the province, it is calculated that 4.4 per cent. of the population are opium-smokers.

The population of Hongkory, exclusive of the new territories, was, in 1900, 319,-03, the number of males and females over 15 years of age being 262,384. The opium farmer has heretofore sold opium to the divans only, the attractions to be presented to your patrons, lessees of which retail it to the general public. | should they decide to come to Manila during The closing of the divans will not prevent the | the coming Carnival, and, at the same time, opium farmer from selling opium direct to the assist in promoting our welfare.--Very truly public for private consumption. These divans | yours, are licensed by the opium farmer, and are as diverse in their surroundings and management as are the music-halls and public-houses of London. There are two classes of licences, in one of which prepared onium is sold and consumed; in the other dross opium is smoked. There are 105 licences of the first class, and 98 of the second. Mr. Clementi's figures show that the number who smoke dross opium is 7,228. The number who smoke prepared opium in divans is 7,237, and of those who smoke prepared opium outside divans is 10,844.

The order that all onium divans must be closed involves a loss to the opium farmer of \$400,000 per annum, to which extent, plus compensation for breach of contract, the revenue of the colony must abate, and this at a time when trade is languishing and revenue decreasing, while the demands for increased expenditure for sanitary and other purposes. increase, and the estimate for the Kowloon-Canton railway has been exceeded to an alarming extent. Hongkong will not kick, therefore His Majesty's Government, always stern save when trouble threatens, will probably not remit an equal amount of the compulsory military contribution absorbing one-fifth of the revenue, but in justice such a remission should be granted.

The result of the closing of the divans will be to drive the divan smokers from the divans. which were well conducted, to their cubicles, where the young will all the more quickly learn their fathers' vices. It must be remembered that opium smoking is not a convivial babit, and save for the slight additional trouble, a man can enjoy his smoke as thoroughly on his own bed as on that of the divan. Is the game worth the candle? And if the opium stimulant be abandoned, what will take its place? Samshu? Morphia?

OPIUM TRAFFIC IN AMERICA. Dr. Wright, who has been appointed by

President Roosevelt as one of the International Commissioners from the United States to the Opium Conference at Shanghai, has made a report regarding the opium traffic in America: | He states that apart from Chinese over 5,000 whites in New York City alone use the drug in one form or another, and that from 1903 to 1907 the importation of crude opium into the United States increased by more than 1,000,000 lbs:, despite the heavy duty of 4s. a pound. Dr. Wright urges vigorous reform measures;

THE GREAT EXHIBITION OF JAPAN.

SUGGESTED POSTPONEMENT.

We learn from the Nippon that a proposal is made to postpone the coming Great Exhibition of Japan, now arranged to be held in 1912, and the Exhibition Bureau has been instructed to investigate the proposal. On the 17th ultimo. Mr. Okura, a leading business man of Tokyo. was summoned to the Exhibition Bureau and consulted on the proposal in the presence of the Minister of Agriculture and Commerce

It is maintained in some quarters, says the Nippon, that although it is not beneficial to the national prestige of the Empire to postpone the-Exhibition, yet, if such a course is unavoidable in the national circumstances, foreign countries may not raise any objection, as they have yet made preparations in any tangible If a promise is made to foreign ther the plan of the Exhibition warged and their various wishes by will have no objection. Should on be postponed for five years, not will be experienced in enlarga large sum of money may be at period and devoted to the monement is advisable as it we of making the Exhibiof relieving the finances

> the House of Peers, takes the proposed bition as a gauge of by the Katsura inascial—scheme failed to arrange litary works as nes been sought in like good the deficit. the difficulty.-N. C. D. Nows. the Genro and Lit meet with the ap-The Diet will pro-Postponement. It will empire in the eyes of the etpone the Exhibition on untry's financial difficulties will injure the national pres-Sposal should be considered

We put into execution. Chief Commissioner of the Exhles the report of the postponement hibition as unfounded. The Governaware of the necessity of curtailing Kiture, but is not likely to seek economy estimate for the Exhibition. It may be perceived that, the prestige of Japan will permit of the adoption of such a disgracepromised to fend their support. It is impossible however, for the Government to increase the estimate for the Exhibition even if the arrangements of the foreign Powers in connection with the Exhibition surpass those of Japan tateall and no alteration will be made in the Stan er gint grann ub'

CORRESPONDENCE.

(We do not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by Correspondents in this column.] THE PHILIPPINE CARNIVAL:

TO THE ROITOR OF THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH."

SIR,-It has been definitely decided to make the Philippine Caroival an annual affair. The to the mandate from the Secretary of State for | first Carnival, held in the latterspart of February, 1908 was pronouncedly successful in every department, the matter, of accommodation of visitors was demonstrated to be easily within the capacity of our committee and valuable ideas for future Camivals were suggested. To the Carnival of 1909, which will be beld at Manila February second to ninth inclusive it is proposed to add the attractions of the 'Mi litary Divition Meet, the date of which is not yet definitely fixed, but which will, in all probability, take place in the latter part of Japuary and the Horse Show which will take place after the Carnival. We are thus able to present to visitors a series of entertainment covering period of at least, one month. The difficult problems have all been solved and we can offer most definite a splances of interesting entertainment and proper accommodations.

Every effort is being made in the United States, in China, in Australia and Japan to induce tourists to include Manila in their

We would request that you will use what Horts you can in the interest of our enterprise in bringing to the attention of your patrons, in whatever form you deem proper, the facts herein stated and such additional facts as may from time to time, be forwarded to you in th form of circulars, folders, inserts, posters, etc., and thus aid us in giving publicity to a proposition which will add materially to the

GEO. KELLY, Director-General. Headquarters, Philippine Carnival Association Bagumbayan Drive and Luneta. Manila, P.I., August 19, 1908,

ACCIDENT AT THE DOCKS

E-rly last Monday morning, a Chinaman, named Tam Siu, employed on a ship in No. Dock, at Lowloop, made a false step and rolled into the dock a distance of about 40 feet. It would appear that Tam was crossing the gangplank, when he did the side slip and had no time to inform his friends as to the few last words he wished to say to his mother and relatives. He ricochetted off the sidings and landed on his legs in the dock, which, fortunately for him. contained several gallons of "agua pura." When Tam was picked up his right leg was found to have been broken. Inspector Mc-Hardy ordered him to be sent to the Government Civil Hospital where he now lies.

> CHINESE IN MANILA. DECREASE IN THEIR NUMBERS.

This year for the first time since American occupation the number of departures of Chinese has exceeded the arrivals. In fact statistics show a decided decrease in the Chinese population, reports the Gableitus American.

The banner yearfor Chinese immigration was 1904 when the arrivals exceeded the departures by fully 4,977. In the following year the arrivals leaving still a credit balance of 1,110 in favour of arrivals. The balance was increased again in 1906 when it amounted to 1,247, the arrivals numbering then 7,966 as compared with 6, 19 departures. The following year, 1907, the total number of arrivals was higher than in 1906, but so was also the total of departures showing 8,142 against 7,122 respectively, leaving still an excess of 1,019 arrivals. This year, however, bids fair to outstrip all previous reend of the fiscal year a total of 5.820 against

departures over the arrivals. The laws are not very much more stringent to-day than they were a year or two ago regarding Chinese immigrants. One government official said "It's the sign of the rats and the sinking ship," It is estimated that by the have outnumbered the arrivals by at least 200.

It is noteworthy, however, that the largest percentage of Chinese who have not returned to the islands is composed of the more prosperous class, those who have made their "little pile" and have recurred to the land of their fathers to spend there' the rest of their days and—the money,

COUNT KOMURA'S RETURN RUSSO-JAPANESE FEELING:

Tokio, August 25.

Count Komura returns to Tokio to-night. The future Minister of Foreign Affairs has gratification at his meeting in St. Petersburg with M. Iswolsky, and said that he was satisfied of a definite post bellam change in Russian sentiments towards Japan. He spoke of the of European monarchs.

MANCHURIAN PROSPECTS. Count Komura paid a visit of inspection to Port Arthur and Tairen after passing through Manchuria, and said that he was convinced that Japan had a bright prospect before her in Manchurla.

A PLEA FOR BETTER RELATIONS. Tokio, August 27:

Count Komura took up his position to-day as Minister of Foreign Affairs. The newspapers, in welcoming the appointment, urge the need of improvement in the relations of Japan and China. They also express the expectation that Count Komura's knowledge of the situation should expedite a solution of the Hsiumintun-Fakumen Railway

While in Tokyo Dr. Koch suggested the advisability of keeping cats for the elimination of rats. As a result, the Sanitary Bureau in the Home Department has begue investigations into the number and variety of cals kept in Japan. The Hyogo Kencho has received instructions from Mr. Kubota, Director of the Sanitary Bureau, ordering him to report without delay on the number, breed, and usefulness in catching rate displayed by the foreign cats maintained by foreigners in Kobe. If a cat of a peculiar breed is found its photograph is to be taken.—Japan Chionicle.

course now that foreign Powers have RETURN of visitors to the City Hell Library and Museum for the week ending the 30th

Library, Museum, Non-Chinese...... 315 174 Chinese ...... 172 1,916

CHINA'S REVENUE AND FINANCE

HOW TO REPLACE THE OPIUM REVENUE.

Under orders from the Empress-Dowager the Grand Councillors of State and the President of the Ministry of Finance held a meeting in the office for the discussion of Government affairs on the tath ult. for talking over ways and means to raise funds to replace the opium revenue, which will be entirely lost to China when the sale of and trade in opium is abolished in this Empire.

The questions discussed were the increase of the import tax on Foreign and Chinese tobacco, cigarettes and cigars, the stamp tax, and the increase of 4 cash (2/3 of a one for ten cash copper cent ) on the price of salt per catty, throughout China.

As the first concerns Foreign merchants, the proposed tax cannot be increased without the recognition of the Foreign Ministers in Peking: the second is still opposed by the Chinese merchants in North China, on account of the depressed condition of trade; so that, though a stamp tax office was established at Paoting and Tientsin in June last by Vicercy Yang of Chihli, under the control of Taotai Hung Chun, yet no tax has so far been collected.

It is stated that the Foreign merchants at Tientsin, have also petitioned their respective Consuls asking for a postponement of the stamp tax until the foreign and native trade is in better condition, while the Viceroys and the Governors of the Liangkwang and other Provinces have wired to the Peking Government. some opposing the increase of price on sal entirely, and others proposing to increase only 2 cash per catty, on the ground that salt is one of the daily requisites of the people.

It is estimated that about Tis, 20,000,000 can be obtained from these sources every year. which will be quite sufficient to replace the lost opium revenue, if they are properly imposed and collected by honest officials; but owing to various reasons and opposition, nothing has been decided up to the present.

Now Duke Tsai Tsc. President of the Ministry of Finance, intends to impose an additional tax on wine, sugar and native smoking leaves and other smokes for Chinese water pipes produced in Szecbuan, Kwangtung, Fukien and some other Provinces in order to raise funds.

The native opium revenue in Kiangsu and Yunnan will be finished next year, for the Vicetoys Tuan Fang and Hai Liang have prohibited the cultivation of pative opium within their respective jurisdictions from the later part of 1908, under severe penalties. fe, in addition to the confiscation of their fields to the Chinese Government, the offenders will be most severely punished if they are caught growing the dangerous plant after the fixed date, that is, after the end of October this year, as proclaimed by Viceroys Tuan Fang and Hai-Liang-some time ago, with-a view to putting the anti-oplum Edicts, into actual force.

The Peking Government has issued orders to the various Viceroys and Governors to the effect that they and their subordinate officials will be rewarded with official ranks or money it they can stamp out the growth of native opium within their respective jurisdictions during the course of the next one or two years, or as soon as they possibly cap, without waiting for the period fixed e/z:-ten years.

In consequence of the recent degradation of Wea Hai and Tsai Chang for posing them selves as non-opium smokers, while in reality they have been in the habit of smoking the dangerous drug for many years, the prohibition of opium smoking among the official classes in showed a total of 8,825 against 2,715 departures. Peking is in full swing at the present moment. -China Critic.

A SAD WEDDING

BRIDE BECOMES WIDOW WITHIN

-POUR-DAYS:-

The death of Mr. Max P. von Jaminet at the General Hospital in Shanghai last Thursday works. At the head factory at Tokio 33,712 cords for departures, which showed up to the was the closing scene in a drama of real lifeas sad and as tragic as any that has ever been 5.743 arrivals, leaving plainly an excess of 86 delineated on a stage, says the China Gaustie of 25th ultimo.

When the official notice was issued from the .German-Consulate-about-three-weeks-ago-that-Mr. Jaminet, a resident of Hankow, native of Prussia, born at Berlin, was to be married to Miss Marie Schmidt, 23 years of age, also born end of the calendar year the departures will in Berlin-little was it expected that the marriage would take place under the sad circumstances that eventually surrounded the core-

About a month ago, Mr. von Jaminet, who was employed by the Ping Hsiang Coal Mining Co. at Hankow, became ill, and it was decided that he should take a trip to Japan for his health. His condition at that time, while not alarming, was still of such a nature that he considered it better that his marriage should be postponed, and he therefore sent a telegram to Germany with the intention of advising his fiancée who was just about that time to come to the East to be married, that she had better postpone her trip. Unfortunately, however, the s.s. Derflinger, on which the young lady was to come out, had already left port when been interviewed en route. He expressed his I the telegram arrived and consequently never

reached her. In the meantime, Mr. you Jaminet went to Japan, and whatever the reason may be, his condition there instead of getting better became great significance of the now frequent meetings I worse; he therefore took passage for Shanghai where he entered the General Hospital. this time he was in a very serious condition, the disease with which he was suffering -dysentery.

-having advanced to an acute stage. Dr. Krieg was in attendance, and in spite of his best efforts, Mr. von Jaminet's health continued to become worse-he, when he arrived at Shanghai, having reached such a stage that there was little hope for his recovery.

During this time, the s.s. Der flinger continued its voyage, Miss Schmidt being altogether her fiance, while he on his part was unaware

that she was on her way out. morning about half past ten. 'On being appri- did so on July 13; pneumonia supervened, and sed of the state of affairs, arrangements had she died on July 15. Mrs. Vaughan Smith was been made by the friends of both parties for well known in Yokohama, Shanghai, and the marriage ceremony to proceed at once Tientsin as an accomplished and versatile and the wedding took place at the General journalist. She was a lady of wide accomplish. On the motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Hospital, before the German Consul, about ments, and with an infinite capacity for hard Mr. Wallace, Mr. Kruse was unanimously alities here in Singapore should prove of eleven o'clock. As mentioned above, and as work. Perhaps her greatest success in news- elected vice-chairman. understood by both parties to the marriage, the paper work was the clear precision with which The appointment of a Land Commission to condition of Mr. von Jaminet-was hopeless, she saw the bearing and tendencies of the re-value all property and tentals in the settle-His death occurred four days later.

in a land half way round the earth from her native land, has received expressions of sincere sympathy from all who have been acquainted with the circumstances.

generosity on almost innumerable occasions

on which she came out Rast. In the mean, left for this young lady left alone in a strange . C. BERKELEY MITCHELL I time she is living with Dr. and Mrs. Krieg. I environment.—L. & C. Empress.

JAPAN. THE NEXT BUDGET.

Tokio, August 28. The Cabinet met to-day and settled the out lines, of the next budget without difficulty The amortization funds are to be increased from Y37,000,000 to Y50,000,000.

The postponement of Government enterprises, including questions of the army and the navy, amounts altogether to Y100,000,000. THE EXHIBITION.

The United States, which is the most interested among the Powers in the Tokio Exhibi tion; has assured [apan that she has no objection to the postponement of the Exhibition, EMIGRATION QUESTIONS

The reported refusal of Japan to negotiate a new immigration treaty with the United States is without foundation. The existing arrangements are working satisfactorily.

SAVIKG OF Y. 200,000,000.

With reference to my earlier telegram, the cuttailment, postponement and cessation of military and other enterprises amount altogether to a sum of Y200,000,000. This includes a saving of about Y80,000,000 on public bonds, which were a part of the policy for the mainlenance of the Government enterprises, but are now abandoned; except for railway works, which are to be put on a separate account. Even the railway bonds will not be issued for three or four years.

The Tokio Exhibition has been postponed for five years, that is until the jubilee of the Emperor's accession when it will be held on a grander scale.-N. C. D. News.

GUN-RUNNING IN CHINA:

THE "JIJI'S" COMMENT.

According to a report from the Japanese Consul at Amoy, says the Jiji, the smugglers of the 12,000 rifles and annunition, who were arrested at Chuanchow, Fukien, as reported in our columns, were a Japanese, a Formosan, and a few Chinese. It seems the rifles were mostly obsolete and out of use, being only fit for scrap iron. Some of the weapons, however, were complete and in good order. Our contemporary says the Foreign Office in Tokyo is prepared to examine the case carefully, in conjunction with the Chinese authorities, and if the rifles are found to be in violation of the Foreign Trade Regulations of Chins, the matter will be left to the disposal of the Chinese authorities without a repetition, says the Jii, of the foolish course taken in the case of the Taleu-maru.

THE KANEGAFUCHI SPINNING COMPANY'S FRENCH LOAN.

EXTENSIONS OF WORKS.

At the French Consulate yesterday (Aug. 25). Mr. Bato, representing the Kanegafuchi Spinning Company, signed the documents neces tary to complete the loan advanced by French capitalists, in the presence of the French Vice-Consul and M. Gysin. He afterwards proceeded to Ozaka, to be present at a meeting of the Associated Spinning Companies held there. It is believed that Mr. Bate will shortly accompany Mr. Gysin to Paris on business of the Company. As formerly reported in these columns the amount advanced to the Japanese Company by Parisian bankers was Y2,000,000, bearing it terest at 7.5 per cent., including commission and sundry charges, and is guaranteed by the Mitsui and Mitsu Bishi Banks. It is now stated that the money will be left with the London branch of the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha and wil -ba-used-to-pay-for-new-machinery-purchased by the Company. The Company has this year commenced large extensions of its new spindles are being introduced; at th principal silk yarn factory at Kioto, 10,200 new spindles for silk and 3,360 for " tsumugi yarn are being put in; at the Kioto factory, formerly known as the Ken-men Boseki, 5,100 spindles-for-silk-and-1,260-for silk and 1,260 for "tsumugi": at the Sumoto branch, 20,800 spindles for cotton and 300 weaving machines; and at the Takasago Futoilo factory 22,400 additional spindles. Part of the new machinery is already in operation and it is expected that all will be so by June or July next year. - Kobi

SHIP REPAIRS FOR SHANGHAL THE PHILIPPINE JOBS:

The transport Seward, upon her return to Manila from her present trip, will be taken off her run and will be sent to Shanghai, arriving there about September 14. The Shanghai Ragineering and Dock Company will have the ship under repairs for about nine weeks. She will not be ready for service in the islands before December 1.

The Wright will be placed on the Seward's run south and the Liscum will take the Visayan

what the Warren can do in carrying passengers, European sugar will not be able to withstand beel and ice.

THE LATE MRS. PAUGHAN SMITH.

AN APPRECIATION.

Many residents of North China and Japan will regret to hear of the death of Mrs. Vaughan Smith, the well-known journalist. The deceasunacquainted with the unfortunate condition of | ed lady was at home for six months on a wellearned holiday after 15 years' service in the Far East. She was medically advised to The steamer arrived in Shanghai on Sunday | submit to surgical operations for goitre, and Shanghai Sedition of 1809, and her prediction | ment, the present assessment expiring on the The young bride, so suddenly made a widow of its development into the great Boxer rebellion of the December next, was discussed.

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The Superintendent of Police reported the both the Ministers in Paking and the public following cases had been dealt with at the

gave no heed to her prophesying never so Mixed Court since the last meeting :- Sum-Dr. and Mrs. Krieg, whose kindness and han Smith has been associated with the Peking a wall I, Kidnapping I, Throwing rubbish into the Colonial Office and the Governor of Hong. and Tientsin Times both as editor and sub- the public drain 3, Creating a disturbance 1, kong: have endeared them not only to the recipients editor. Her long journalistic experience in the Hillegally selling land I, Being in possession of Disestrons typhood, 27 July, 28 July, One of their kind acts but to that much greater Far East rendered her an invaluable servant to smuggled goods 1, Perjury r. Contempt of number who, while not in need of help or the proprietors of that newspaper. At their Court s. Summary Arrests: Their 6, Assault sympathy, having heard of their kindnesses, generous initiative she was sent home on a six it. Being a rogue and a vagabond, &c. 1, accord to them the full measure of honour and months furlough. Her visit was purely one of Smuggling r, Helpg abroad after 12 midnight ment property alone estimated at 100,000 dolar. praise which their actions deserve—on this pleasure, and there was no idea of surgical without a light 1, Househrenking 1, Being in occasion also took matters in hand and every- treatment when she left Tientsin in May. Her possession of stolen, property 2, Committing a thing was done by them for the young widow's premature death will be widely mourned in suisance 2. Tientsin, Mrs. Vaughan Smith leaves one son. Mrs. von Jaminet will return to Germany on now in India, and one daughter, who accome Salurday, the 5th September, on the same boat penied her home. Profound sympathy will be By order,

BIG FIRE IN KOBE. FOREIGN GODOWN GUTTED.

A serious fire occurred last night on the premises of Messrs: Raspe and Co., 91. Yedo Machi, reports the Kobe Herold of 26th ult At about 10.45 p.m. smoke was observed to be issuing from their principal godown, a threestoreyed brick building covering about 100 tsubo of ground, and the place was soon in flames. The foreign employees of the firm were at once notified and soon appeared on the scene. The flames were extinguished in about an hour and a half. The roof of the godown was completely destroyed but none of the adjacent buildings were in any way damaged. The fire is said to have originated amongst a quantity of straw-braid in the third storey and thence spread [downwards. There were large quantities of piece goods and general goods on the ground floor of the godows, which were more or less damaged by water, if not by fire. The total amount involved on the contents of the godown is about one hundred and fifty, thousand yes. The building and goods were insured with the Netherlands Fire and Life Insurance Company and the North-British and Mercantile Company, of which Messrs. Raspe and Co. are the agents. One or two other companies are involved for comparatively small amounts, the New Zealand having had a risk for Y10.000. Nothing is known as to the origin of the outbroak. Smoking has, of course, been sug-

gested; but as the firm took special precaution to prevent smoking in the godown," employing both a Ruropean and a Chinaman to maintain an efficient watch, it is doubtful if this was the cause. That the fire originated a considerable time before the alarm was given is evident from the fact that hill residents saw a column offices igniting but this danger was happily averted. Their books and papers however were removed to the offices of Messrs. Winckler & Co. who kindly placed basement of their large building at the disposal of the parties who supervised the removal. Some damage was caused by water in Messrs. Hellyer and Co.'s premises but so far as we can gather it was not of a very serious pature.. It is a matter for congratulation that the outbreak was confined to the godown-one of the strongest in the Settlement, by the way -as it is more than probable that, if the flames had spread to the offices on Kita Machi, the three storeyed building occupied by the American Trading Company would also have gone. Another fire also occurred last night in the house of a carpenter at Wakinohama, 2-chome

damage was done, only the one house being destroyed. THE SUGAR INDUSTRY IN ,

The flames were got under control before much

MANCHURIA.

THREATENED COMPETITION.

The sugar industry, which for many years has suffered from the embarrassment created by speculative overproduction, is soon to be faced with new competition in the Far East says the Echo de Chine, and there is every prospect of the competition proving successful Several enterprises of this nature are on the point of being inaugurated in Manchuria and on the borders of Russia, while others are pro-

It is reported from Harbin that a joint-stock company with a large capital has been lifested by a group of Polish capitalists with the object of catablishing a large sugar factory at that

railway centre. Extensive areas of land in the vicinity of the Chinese Eastern Railway have already been purchased with a view to the cultivation-of beetroot. Trials of the product made last year have given the most satisfactory results. The work of constructing the manufactory is to commenced without delay, and it is calculated that regular operations will be commenced

from next year. Another enterprise of the same nature is about to be created in Manchuria, on the in itiative of an influential-Chinese-landowner Liu-Tchung, and under the direction of French expert. The construction of the factory. in the neighbourhood of Kwangchentze will be commenced in two or three months.

A prominent Chinese naturalised in Russia Tiphonay (?) by name, whose commercial enterprise at Port Arthur is well known, is crodited with a scheme to open up an extensive exploitation of the sugar industry.

General conditions are very favourable to these industrial enterprises. Moreover, large areas of land most suitable for the cultivation of the best may be had at a ridiculously low price. The experiments made last year proved that the beets grown on the land in question yieldedias to 30 per cents of sugar, that is, nearly double the average yield in Europe. Manual labour is plentiful and cheap, while, as the cultivation will-be-carried on in proximity to the railway the cost of transport will not be

The price of European sugar is considerable augmented by the cost of transport over the immense distance separating Europe from the The Mindanco run will be supplemented by Far East, so that even if bounties ato granted the competition of the native product, and this applies not only to China but also to Siberia. is anticipated that Manchurian sugar will affect the export from Java, but the latter may find other markets.

KULANGSU (AMOY) MUNICIPA COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Council held at the Board Room, on the 11th August, 1908 President :- Messrs. W. H. Wallace (Chairman), J. S. Fenwick, Huang Ts'an-chew. W Kruse, S. Okuyama, W. Wilson, the Health Officer and the Secretary. Mr. Fenwick took his seat, vice Mr. A. F.

Gardiner, resigned. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

(Signed), W. H. WALLACE, Chairman,

SINGAPORE SUPERSZITIONS.

A capital conjurer has visited our port, and showed vast ingenuity in displays of no mean order, recalling to many of his audience pleasant times spent at the colebrated Maskelyne and Cookes. Caustic comments ware made by some onlookers at the ready sale that certain "Dream Booklets" met with after the clever thought-reading, and magnetic power of one of the stage performers. It certainly was a curious thing to see a cultivated assembly of Twentieth Century people buying and reading these particular leaflets, each one of which contained two coupons which could be filled in with any questions, and sent to Chicago for answers to be promptly mailed by the demonstrator of the art of Psychomancy. On the fly leaf were found these words: "An original interpretation of Omens and Dreams with Instructions how to turn such occurrences to practical account." There are canny Scotch in Singapore who, by wasting cents on the booklet, would, after reading the same, recognize many All Hallows Eve superstitions: observances as practised of old by maidens in Scotland, and immortalized by Burns In a famous poem.

Ryery nationality in Singapore owns up to a.

certain number of superstitions, and so in this one particular every man has something in common. Ask the next person met alter reading this article what is their pet superstition, and they will probably at once deny possessing any, but a little patient investigation will prove the contrary. Quite recently at at sale of work in this town, at one stall, a mass. of peacock's feathers was exhibited, and the seller was assailed on all sides by severe remarks on the folly of producing such an unlucky omen. Even the Chinese to a certain extent share in the dread of evil which is of smoke rising from the locality between 9 thought of necessity to accompany the keeping and to o'clock. Valuable assistance was ren- of peacock's feathers in houses. And yet in dered by the Fire Brigade and there was no I front of the idol, shrines in the carpenter's and lack of water. At one time there seemed to other shops in Orchard Road and elsewhere. be great danger of Messrs. Raspe and Co.'s one or more of the myriad-eyed bird's adornments are placed in gilt paper vases; and again the eyes, of the feathers so marvellous. ly described by Darwin as one of Nature's greatest wonders, are woven with much skill into Eastern embroidered slippers. The Malays in our midst, though confessedly Mahommedans, retain an immense number of their ancient signs of bad and good luck, these in many instances correspond more or less to superstitions in our own and other countries, though at times of an opposite nature. As forinstance the fact that a swarm of bees settling in or near a house portends to the natives here dire misfortune, but by Europeans is accounted a sign of good luck. Again a bird flying against a window, or into a house, is a sign of misfortune amongst the old folks at home. in remote country places; but to the Malay no greater luck can befall him, for he has but to catch the bird, smear its wings with oil, and invoke it to fly away-with-all-the-bad-luck-andmiseries of the phouse, and the thing is done. A tip for tin and tubber speculators in these hard times here and in the F.M.S.; birds are often attracted at night by the gleam of brightly lighted verandabs A Malay when building his wooden house

must carefully see that the flight of steps is placed exactly under the middle rafter, or his homestead will become a place of quarrelling and fighting ever siter. Visitors should be cautious and not lean against the steps when talking, or a juneral will shortly take place. Amongst Europeans here, how many men will sit down comfortably to a table of thirteen persons! When a "Boy" has, confessed to a breakage, how many Mems wonder what two things will next suffer at his hands to make up the magic number three! Again who has not received a shock when talking to an intelligent friend and after making kind inquiries after his general health and prosperity, and hearing the replies given in a cheerful ispirit, but with a basty tapping of the splash-board of the carriage, or the elbow of a chair or surface of a table, accompanied by a half-apologetic remark, "One must touch wood or something will happen," No, those magic booklets sold in the Teutonia Hall are not to be compared in foolishpess with the multitudinous superstitions on all sides of us. A scotnful reader says at once, "Mana bulih, I am not supersti-... tious"; one moment, how about lucky numbers for the Races, for Tatiersalls, for the Calcutta Sweep, even for the gambling in Johore, or in Native States

Superstitions with regard to marriages are everywhere existent. Amongst the Chinese a kind of fortune is drawn up beforehand by experts from those talismanic boards, so often seen outside small houses in Bingapore with the black and red centre signs, the Yin and the Yang, the beginning of all things. Horoscopes thus drawn up, after noting the birthdays of the prospective bride and bridegroom are somewhat on the same line as that of Guy Mannering, portrayed in Sir Walter Scott's finest style.

The Tamils in Singapore still consider that they have to undergo a month of unlucky days before the Sun enters Capricorn. after which they celebrate their Pongul Feast when we see the bullocks with gaily painted home and dangling tassels, while their drivers rejoice in a month of lucky days. Go into a Cingalese Store at break of day and the shopkeepers will almost certainly sell at a reduction in order that the first would be purchaser shall not go away empty handed and so bring evil fortune on the Store for the day. Think of this ye who lie peacefully in bed while others are stirring. Betel-nut chawers very frequently expectorate on the left side, for good luck, other people throw a picked-up horse shoe over the left shoulder or a pinch of salt if spilt. So the writer spoke truly there words: "Psimitive magical conceptions still cling closely to our people, and form everywhere the heart of popular folklore."

The Anniversary of the Coronation Day of our King Emperor cannot have failed to remind many of his subjects in all parts of the world of the cvil portents, and weird superstitious ideas so freely indulged in, when sudden illness had plunged the British Empire in gloom on the first announced Coronation Day, and which so happily proved false, when the deferred crowning took place amidst universal happiness and

A properly compiled collection of welld immense interest.—Singapore Free Press.

GOVERNOR'S TELEGRAPHIC REPORT.

"The London Morning Leader of Ath August wisely. For the last eleven years Mrs. Vaug. | monses; Debt 2, Assault 4, Illegally removing | prints the following telegrams, passed between river steamer lost, about 250 passengers; otherwise loss of life, as far as is known, not beavy.

> Damage on shore very serious; loss on Govern-Private losses not yet estimated.—LUGARO, The Secretary of State for the Colonies to the Governor of Hongkong (sent 5: Aug., 1908) (2) Your telegrame of 30 July; News of typhoon received with great regret, by his Majosty's Government, who desire ma to convey to com-

munity at Hongkong sincers sympathy at this second diseases within two years -- Children

#### Interport Cricket.

PLAY AT SHANGHAL

HONGKONG, SHANGHA!, AND TIENTSIN.

Mr. A. R. Lowe; hon, secretary of the Hongkong Cricket Club, notifies that the Shanghai Cricket Club have invited the Club to send a cricket team to Shanghai and that an acceptance has been sent.

The team should leave Hongkong about is October, probably by a-P. & O. mail of that

The selection of the team and all practice arrangements will be decided on by a special sub-committee composed of Hon. Dr. J. M. Atkinson, Major E. W. R. Stephenson, 3rd

Middlesex Regiment, and Mr. R. Haucock. Invitations have been issued to the various Cricket Clubs in the Colony to nominate two of their members who have a probable chance of places in the team to practice on the Cricket ground during September, and members of the Club are invited to notify the Secretary of any likely aspirants to interport honours with a view to trial being afforded

Only those players whose names are included in special list on the notice board are entitled to practise at the nets before ist October, 1908, when the ground will be opened as usual for cricket and tennis.

The following letter was addressed to the following Clubs and Regiments:-Kowloon Cricket Club, Craigengower Cricket Club, Civil Service Cricket Club. Police Cricket Club, Parsee Cricket Club, R.A. Cricket Club. R.R. Cricket. Club. Departmental - Cricket-Glub, ard Middlesex Regiment, 13th Rajputs Regiment and to5th Mahratta Regiment:--

Hongkong Cricket Club,

31st August, 1908. that the Hongkoog Cricket Club have received an invitation from the Shanghai Cricket Club to send a Hongkong cricket team to play Shanghai early in October next, and that and acceptance to the challenge has been sent.

The cricket ground is being opened (weather permitting) on Tuesday, the 1st proximo, to a restricted number of players who may stand a chance of being selected in the team, and with a view to a representative team being chosen to represent the Colony, I am instructed to invite your Club to nominate two cricketers (not being also members of this Club) who in your Committee's opinion have any likely claims to warrant selection, and who, if chosen, could pro--bably arrange to go to Shanghai about the 181 October next. It is, of course, understood that your nominees would practise as much as possible-at the nets and in the practice games on the cricket ground in September subject to uny decision to the contrary come to by the selection cammittee (Hon. Dr. J. M. Atkinson, Major E. W. R. Stephenson, 3rd Middlesex

Regiment, and Mr. R. Hancock) The team will in all probability be away about a fortnight and, should Tientsin also send a team, as seems likely, the trip may extend to three weeks.

Awaiting your carly reply, -1 am, etc., A. R. LOWE, Secretary.

VOLUNTEER CORPS ORDERS. ARTILLERY, UNITS.

1st Period Training of Men as Specialists. One fortnight commencing 31st August, at 5.30, p.m. each evening. Date of attendances: - 31st August, 2nd, 4th,

7th, 9th and 11th September. Each company to provide 6 to 8 layers, 4 to 6 range finders and 4 to 6 signallers. At end of fortnight Officers Commanding Companies will be required to select 6 layers, 4 range finders

and 4 signallers. Both Artillery instructors ENGINEER COMPANY.

Parade,-At West Fort, Kowloon, at 9 p.m. on Wednesday, the 2nd September, 1908, for technical instructions.

INFANTRY AND ENGINEER COMPANIES .-Parades,-At He dquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, the 31st-August-and Friday, the 4th September, for infantry drills. Bergt Downes, 3rd Middlesex Regt., will attend.

INFANTRY COMPANY. If is hoped that gentlemen who intend to join the Infantry Company will send in their riames as soon as possible in order that the selection and appointment of non-commissioned officers may be proceeded with and arrangements made for carrying out the course of

Mr. C. Gibbs joined the Corps on the 21st August, 1908, assigned Corps No. 1,043 and posted to the Engineer Company.

Gunner E. Hope is permitted to resign on. leaving the Colony with effect from the 20th

Troop Sergt. Major G. U. Moxon is permitted to resign on leaving the Colony with effect from this date.

1st Period—Training of men as specialists. Date of attendances:-- 7th, 9th and 11th September, at 5.30 p.m. Each company to provide 6 to 8 layers, 4 to 6 range finders and a to 6 signallers.

At end of fortnight-Officers Commanding Companies will be required to select 6 layers, 4 range finders and 4 signallers. Both artillery instructors will attend.

INFANTRY AND ENGINEER COMPANIES. Parade.—At Readquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Monday-the-7th-September;-and Friday, the 11th September, for infantry drills. Sergt.

Downes, 3rd Middlesex Regt., will attend. INTERPORT RIFLE PRACTICE. Interport practice will commence at King's Park Range at 2 30 p.m. on Saturday, the 5th

September. CADET COMPANY.

Complaints having been made of certain Cadets blowing bugles in the vicinity of dwelling houses, it is notified that if this practice is continued the bugles will be withdrawn from the offenders.

MARINE COURT.

In the Marine Court, this morning, before the Hon. Commander Basil Taylor, R.N., Harbour Master, a charge was heard against Peter | but not subdued rivals. McClure, an able-bodied seaman' of s.s. Empress of Japan, for unlawfully absenting himself without leave and wilfully, disobeying the lawful commands of his superior on board ship on the 30th ultimo. Mr. Alfred James Hailey, Chief Officer of the Empress of Japan, who prosecuted, stated that defendant asked his permission to go ashore fast Sunday, 30th ult., in the afternoon, which was refused. Sometime after 6 p.m. on the same day, defendant disappeared and has since made himself scarce. A warrant for defendant's apprehension was

HONGKONG WATER POLO SHIBLD COMPSTITION."

The final in the Hongkong Water Polo Shield Competition between the Victoria Recreation Club and the Corinthian Yacht Club takes place to-morrow afternoon at 6 p m. sharp At the V. R. C. enclosure, and a good same is

expected. Both teams comprise nearly all the fastest and most powerful swimmers in the Colony and appear to be in excellent trim. A lighter has kindly been placed at the disposal of the V. R. C. to meet the requirements, as it will be remembered that when those teams last met about a mouth ago, the Club's enclosure was packed to us utmost with the supporters of both teams, whilst many had to turn away in disappointment, not being able to even get standing room anywhere, to catch a glimpse of the game.

If at the conclusion of this match the resul is again a draw (the same as it was last time) the teams will have to play extra time unt one of them wins.

The following will represent the opposing

V.R.C.—L. E. Lammert (Capt.), A. H. Carroll, A. E. Alves, A. V. Barros, H. C. Sayer, J M. Roza Pereira, and P. M. Remedios. C.Y.C.—R. C. Witchell (Capt.), G. Witchell E. Humphreys, C. Humphreys, C. J. Cooke, I scription whatever?-No. O. R. Chunyet, and J. Forbes.

CORINTHIAN YACHT CLUB WINS

The accommodation of the Victoria Recreation Club was taxed to its utmost vesterday afternoon when the ownership of the Shield' this year was again contested between the Victoria Recreation Club and the Corinthian Dear Sir,-I have the pleasure to inform you | Yacht Club. Long before 6 o'clock, the large lighter kindly lent by the P. & O. and every inch of standing room was taken up by keen. spectators, among whom were His Excellency ling, R.E., Hon.Commander Basil R. H. Taylor, | period covered about five or six years. and several other prominent sportsmen.

When it became known that Mr. L. Lammert, the Captain and crack goal-keeper of the V.R.C., was unable, through illness, to take his place among the rest of his team. considerable disappointment seemed to have been felt by the supporters of the Club, as the ipvincible goal-keeper, as he is often called. has a clean record to his credit, not only for this season, but he has not allowed a single goal to go past him for the last three years. However, after the commencement of play he could be seen on the lighter directing the movements of his men and encouraging them. all the time especially after the only goal had been netted against them.

Considerable enthusiasm was evinced from the very commencement of the game and lasted throughout until the very finish, every movement of the players receiving the applause it really deserved in this fine exhibition of the game. Although excitement ran as high among: the contestants as the onlookers, a special feature of the game was that fouls were few and far beween and in practically every instance were unavoidable.

Punctually at 6 o'clock, the whistle sounded, and both teams took the water amidst a great outburst of cheering from their supporters. The players and their positions were as

(Blues)--V.R.C.: F. K. Tata (goal), A. H Carroll, A. E. Alves, A. V. Barros (backs), U. C. Sayer, P. M. Remedios, and J. M. Koza Pereita (forwards);

(Whites)—C.Y.C.:—J. Forbes (goal), E. Humphreys, C. Humphreys, O. R. Chunyut (backs), C. J. Cooke, R. C. Witchell and G.

Witchell (forwards). The home team secured the ball at the swim. up but lost it almost immediately and Witchell made an attempt to net, the leather going wide. Alves then passed up to Remedios who again met with the same late. C. Humphreys now took possession of the ball and rushed it down the bath, out-swimming Pereira, and scoring beautifully, the ball just touching the goal post and twisting in. Play again commenced and the whites now secured the ball. Cook passing to Witchell, who, however, failed to score Carroll now took possession of the leather and swam up and looked dangerous, but Forbes stopped the attempt to net. The ball was then sent down to the other end of the bath and Witchell tried a very difficult shot which fortunately struck the goal post and bounced back, the same player again missing his mark after another try. Sayer now obtained hold of the sphere and passed to Carroll, who shot a bit high. A free throw was soon after awarded to the Blues, and Carroll made another good attempt to shoot, the ball just striking the bost. The ball now travelled from one end of the bath to the other in quick succession, neither side being able to not before the call of half

Result:—C. Y. C. I. V. R. C. nil The While's secured the ball at the swim up in the second spell, but lost it to Sayer who tried and missed. Carroll then followed up with a very hard shot which again missed its mark. Witchell and Humphreys in turn each tried to score the second goal, but failed. As time seemed to draw on, the Blues appeared to be playing a defensive game and in this half of the game, allowed the Corinthians to gather near their citadel, but Carroll, who was playing a sterling game, now swam right up the field and made another attempt to equalise, the ball just going into the goal-keeper's hands. The C.Y.C. now, obtained possession and Witchell tried a couple of shots which went wide. Carroll now made a bold try for is team, but the Corinthian goal-keeper was always alert and and again stopped his attempt. In a bit of a scrimmage, Carroll passed to Alves, the latter baving a brilliant opportunity to equalise, but by holding on to the bal too long, his attempt was frustrated, and the game ended in a win for the Corinthian Yacht

Club by one goal to nil. Taken on a whole the play was very even and the teams well matched, but luck, never seemed to favour the V. R. C. boys in the many attempts to retain the Shield for the Club Carroll, Barros and Alves playing brilback always forced himself up in his opponents territory and trying, against luck, to 'score. whilst Barros and Alves always frustrated the many attempts made by their formidable

At the conclusion of the match, the V.R.C. suffering. cheered their victors, the latter responding with three hearty cheers, for their vanquished

The League Table now shows:--

Played, Won, Lost, Drawn, Total, C. Y. C. ..... 8. Royal Engineers 7 87th Co., R.G.A. 7 R, H. K; Y. C. ... 7 3 H.M.S. Tamar 7 12 83rd Co., R.G.A. 7/.. 1 88th Co., R.G.A. # points for a win,

I point for a draw.

THE TRIAD SOCIETY. ALLEGED - MEMUERSHIP.

In the Police Court, last Thursday, before Mr. J. R. Wood, Sergeant Willis charged five men (t) with being members of the Triad Soclety; (1) with being armed with an offensive weapon, to wit, a sword. Mr. Otto Kong Sing appeared for three of the defendants, while the

remaining two were undefended. The facts of the case, as outlined by the prosecution, was to the effect that on the night of the 24th August, at 11:30 p.m., the defendants left Tai Wai to attend a meeting of the Triad Society. They had in their possession certain papers relating to the affairs of the Society. a handkerchief with Triad characters printed upon it and a small sword. The first prisoner handed over to the police the handkerchief, and further admitted that he was a member of the Triad Society. The first and fifth defendants were arrested on the roadside. The intention of the section was to provide near. Taipo while they were, on the way machinery for the prompt punishment of to the meeting, while the other three attempts gross or open" perjury" committed in the ed to escape. All are natives of British I face of the Court, under circumstances Territory, except the first defendant, who is a showing that the withess could have no regard

Mr. Mok Li Chi, a gentleman who claims to be an expert about everything in connection [fully and with proper care and regard for what with the Triad Society, was cross-examined by the stated under the sanction of his oath, and Mr. Otto Kong Sing, when the following illu- | therefore was acting in contempt of the-court minating facts were disclosed :-

You never belonged to it?—No.:

You never witnessed a meeting !- No. You never attended a meeting of any de-

. So that all the evidence you have been giv ing regarding the handkerchief, papers, etc., affeirs of the Society.

The Triad Society is a secret society. their secrets rather jealously?—"cometimes." How did you derive all this knowledge?—! learnt it from my father.

everything; only some.

Mr. Otto Kong Sing, on behalf of the second. third and fourth defendants, submitted that there was no evidence to show that they were members of the Triad Society. was no offence to simply be on the way to attend a meeting, and therefore the prisoners ought to be discharged. Mr. Kemp agreed with him, and discharged the second, third and fourth defendants. The first defendant was found guilty on the first charge and sentenced" to three months' hard labour : he was discharge

ed on the second charge. Sergeant Willis here stepped forward on behalf of the fifth defendant and informed the Court that the prisoner was a very steady man and was noted for his good character. He was. not a loafer. He rendered great help to the police on more than one occasion and considering the fact that he had a wife and a family, he ought to be shown leniency.

CHINA'S CURRENUY REFORM THE SUBSIDIARY COIN QUESTION.

There can be no doubt that the first basis for the much needed reform in the currency of China must be the unifying of the present monetary standards. It was proposed by Viceroy Yuan Shih-kai, after the signing of the Mackay Treaty, to issue a new silver coin of the value of a Kuping Tael. Such coins were actually issued by the Chibli Mint. As the Kuping Tael is the basis on which the taxes of China are estimated and Government accounts are kept, Viceroy Yuan considered that this should be the proper standard. In this proposition, the actual conditions were lost sight of in the desire to plan -for what would undoubtedly be the most desirable course of action. There can be no doubt that, if a system could be devised which would carry on the financial operations of China for the future on basis as in the past, it avoid much confusion, but it must be recognized that, whereas China in her governmental-dealings recognises the tael as the standard of value, the commercial transactions of the people have come to be basis of a Mexican dollar. Hongkong, the Straits Settlements as well as the open ports of China and all the Provincial mints, form a standing argument for the use of the Mexican dollar as the silver currency for China. No system founded upon

the tael can become current. With the adoption of the dollar as the unit of the silver currency; there should be at once the fixing of the standard of the subsidiary coins. Silver 20-cent and 10-cent pieces should not form the subject of speculation by Chinese banks. The Board of Revenue should take such stringent and urgent action as would prevent any other method being followed than that five 20-cent pieces or ten lo-cent pieces should be worth one dollar. The tendency of the Chinese banks to recognize these subsidiary coins only for their value if melted into sycce can and ought to be stopped by a strong government. If no other method can be adopted, all of the present silver 20-cent and 10-cent pieces should be recalled and new nickel coins issued in their stead. The adoption of nickel for these coins would immediately remove the possibility of the Chinese banks forming a comparison between the proportionate amount of silver in these subsidiary coins to that contained in the dollar. A 20-cent and a 10-cent nickel coin

What is true of the subsidiary silver coins is also true of the copper coins. The provincial mints should be required to mint these conner coins on a fixed uniform basis. At present the copper coins of one Province have more alloy than those of other Provinces, and each Province attempts to issue these coins—not for their value as tokens, but in order to obtain the seignorage for their minting. If these coins are issued on an uniform basis in the various Pro-Government to insist that ten of these copper coins shall be worth a silver or nickel to-cent

of the dollar. Their memorial has been refere civility at least. it is hoped that favourable action will be taken | definitely decided upon, and it will not be until

SUMMARY FINES FOR PERJURY. HONGKONG PRECEDENT CITED.

At the Supreme Court, Singapore, on Monday last, remarks the Parak Pioneer editorially. Justice Sercombe Smith delivered an important judgment, affecting the right of appeal by witnesses who are summarily fided for perjury. The bearing of the appeal had been adjourned pending the decision of Justice Braddell in a similar case which had been brought before His Lordship at Penang. In that case, the appellant one Solomon Elias Sotomon, had been Tummarity flood \$25" for perjury, Mr. Justice Braddell held that there could be no appeal from the order of the inferior court fining a witness for false evidence summarily, as for contempt under section 12 of the Oaths Ordinance, 1890. The appellant was fined under the section to a criminal mat-I ter brought by the Crawn upon his complaint for the duty imposed on him as a witness called I on to give evidence in a Court of Justice, truth-'Mr. Justice Sercombe Smith, concurring with Are you a member of the Triad Society?—No. | the above judgment, dismissed the appeal on the ground of want of jurisdiction. ' It will be seen that the above decision was

based upon the findings, that a witness, who

commits perjury, is guilty of contempt of court, and that there is no appeal against a sentence of fine imposed by a magistrate for this offence. hearsay evidence?-No. I have studied the The powers of a Magistrate to punish for contempt of court are, however, strictly limited such low women. Japan is gaining notoriety The by the Criminal Procedure Code, and stand members, as you may be probably aware, guard I on quite a different footing to the undefined and unlimited authority to commit for contempt vested in the Judges of the Supreme | that the indecent practice, that was permitted Court of the Colony, identical with that exerci-That is to say, your father taught you?-Not | sed by ludges of the High Courts at home. The Code distinctly allows an appeal to the Asked by Mr. Kemp how long he has been | Supreme Court from every judgment, sentence | in the habit of giving evidence relating to lor order of a migistrate except in cases where Major-General Broadwood, C.B., Colonel Dar- the Triad Society, witness replied that the an offence is punishable with only a fine not exceeding 25 dollars. As Magistrates are empowered to impose a fine of \$50 for contempt. an appeal does not appear to be barred to the ordinary layman. - His doubts as to the glorious uncertainty of the law would intensified on perusal of reports of cases where parties committed to prison for contempt by Supreme Court Judges are released on bail pending the hearing of their appeals, which are admitted and disposed of on their merits. The other day, a bankrupt committed to prison by Justice Sercombe Smith for three months, as if for contempt under the Bankruptcy Ordinance, was released on bail pending appeal. The decision of Justices Braddell and Sercombe-Smith would also seem to be at conflict with the procedure, followed by the Chief Justice of Hongkong, who gave leave to eight witnesses. whom he had summarily committed to prison for perjury, to appeal to the full Court. The Privy. Council, in its turn, has just granted The defendant was bound over in the sum of | them special leave to appeal against the decision of the Hongkong Court of Appeal confirming the order of the Chief Justice, on the ground that the appellants were not informed of the allegations of perjuly made against them nor allowed time to make their defence,

When even learned Judges of the Supreme Court have to be set right by the Privy Council on matters of procedure affecting the working of the Oaths Ordinance, we think, that it is highly inexpedient that an absolute finality should be vested in the summary decisions of Magistrates in such cases. We feel uncertain whether a Full Court would assent ito or dissent from the separate decisions given that no appeal lies from summary convictions by a Magistrate for contempt. Under the Indian Criminal Procedure Code, on which that of the Colony is based an appeal is allowed as of right. In the F. M. S. any summary conviction, under the Affirmations Enactment by any Magistrate is subject to the confirmation of the Judicial Commissioner; and any final only after bring confirmed by the Court of Appeal. While the suppression of periury by drastic means, might be a desirable ject, it is at the same time, necessary to saleguard witnesses from the possibility of being victims to a miscarrage of justice. the interests of the administration of justice. we think, that the Government of the Colony will be well advised were it to take steps either to amend the Oaths Ordinance on the lines of the F.M.S. Affirmations Enactment, or to allow a direct right of appeal which two Judges of the Supreme Court have separately declared to be non-existent.

TAXI-MOTORS ...

AN UP-TO-DATE EXPERIMENT.

Thanks to the foresight displayed by Messrs. Lavers and Clark, it is now practically assured that in the near future Shanghai will have a service of taxi-motors which will be available for hire by the general public at very reasonable rates. A company—registered at Hongkong under the title of The Shanghai Molor Cab Company, Limited—has already been formed and it should not be long before an official appouncement is made by the general agents. On making inquiries at Messrs. Lavers and Clark we were informed that at the present time the project is in its infancy, but the company has already ordered 'several of the most modern cars, such as are plying for hire on the streets of London no-day, and there are to be expected early in would be neither too large nor too heavy to 199. If the venture meets with the success i descrees, and which is confidently anticipated. too cars will be imported, each capable o carrying four persons inside and one outside beside the chaffeur. It seems only yesterday that motor-cars were first introduced into the Settlement and it speaks volumes for the enterprise of our local business men that in so short a time from the introduction of motors, such an ambitious project should be successfully launched. Of course, the ultimate success fof the undertaking depends upon the general vinces, it will be easily possible for the central | public. Unless the cars receive patronage the company must fail, but when the I benefits of the sarvice offered are fully consipiece, and that 100 of them should be worth | dered it will be realized that the prospect of a one dollar. In no other country in the world lack of support is very remote. At the present would it have been possible that 86 of these time it is suggested to run the cars on the laxiliantly throughout, the former although playing copper coins should have been worth a dollar, motor system, charging at the rate of thirty and within nine months 124 of them should have I cents (mex.) per mile, with a minimum charge had the same value. These copper are the verye of ten cents for one-third of a mile. When we life-blood of the working people, as in many in- take into consideration the fact that five perstances their wages are paid in them, and a sons can be accommodated in a car, and the deterioration in their value means untold additional speed and comfort in riding, it will be seen that the rates proposed compare favour-It is pleasing to note that, within the last | ably with that at present charged by ricshas or two weeks, the Goverdor of Honan has taken | carriages. The education of chaffeurs is one up this question, and that the Board of Revenue | which should receive a great deal of attention is taking steps toward the end which we from the managers of the Company; not only have outlined above. A memorial has is it necessary that they should be competent: been presented to Their Majesties by the drivers (the Municipal Council will see to that)

FLOODS IN MANCHURIA

A RAILWAY TRAFFIC INTERRUPTED.

Tokio, August 24: Portions of the South Mauchuria Railway line are inundated: the Toilissu-Hsungyocheng section has suffered the most. A light railway is being built to connect passenger cars, but the traffic of freight cars probably will not be open for ten days. The Amur and Sungari rivers are also

THE U.S. PLEET AND GEISHA.

MISSIONARY MEDDLESOMENESS.

swollen considerably.—N. G. D. News.

We learn from the Asaki that General Viscount Terauchi, Minister of War, who holds the post of Minister of Foreign Affairs ad interime, has received a letter from Miss F. H Parmetee, an American lady missionary a Matsuyama, in regard to the welcome give the U.S. Pacific fleet, which is expected a Yokohama in October next. The lady strong ly objects to the presence of geisha at the proceedings. "I am," says Miss Parmelee, "an insignificant American woman, but I have the interests of Japan at heart no less than the prominent foreign gentlemen residing in Japan and also sincere Japanese themselves. I carnestly hope that by means of the extensive power vested in your Excellency, you will exercise your influence towards preventing an act which will expose the diagrace of Japan through the su-called geisha and will injure the honour of the United States Naval men and their simple manly character by entertaining them with as the tenhouse of the world since women of such a class are permitted shamelessly to be. present at public functions, -- I carnestly hope on the occasion of the recent visit to Japan of an English dignitary, will not be repeated on the occasion of the coming the U.S. fleet for the sake of Japan and of her reputation, and also for the sake of the parents, sisters, and lovers at home of the American Naval men. I venture to

lency's indulgence for my presumption, and ask you to give carnest consideration to this sugl gestion." The above is a translation from a Japanese version of the letter in the Anahi. The Anahi. remarks that the writer of the letter is very acprehensive of geisha and ironically adds that she is right, but she places too much importance on these women. If they are regarded as simple waitresses, wearing smart clothes there cannot be much objection to their presence at the public reception of fleets and other func-

bring such an unpleasant question to your Ex-

cellency's consideration because it is a matter

of great importance, and I crave your Excel-

THE JAPANESE EXHIBITION. POSTPONEMENT OF COVERNMENT

ENTERPRISE. Tokio, August 27. The Government has decided to postpone the Grand Exhibition of Japan originally fixed

MME. SARAH BERNHARDI.

for 1012, in sympathy with the postponement

of other enterprises of the Government.

MAY VISIT THE ORIENT.

The divine Sarah Bernhardt may come to Manila, says the Manila Times. She and her company of players have been booked for a tour of Australia and being desirous of seeing the Orient she has directed her managers to make inquiry as to the business possibilities in the cities of the Far East. Cablegrams have such sentences, passed by the latter, is likewise | and the extent to which the general public | Wong Kong for protection. would be interested. Information is being supplied and there is a good chance that the

l tour will be booked... Despite the fact that the great actress plays entirely in French there would undoubtedly be general intérest in her visit and the freest patron. age of her performances. She is the greatest actress of our time, and interest, even curiosity, would outweigh the linguistic difficulty.

CANTON DAY BY DAY.

THE ANTI-OPIUM CAMPAIGN.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Canton, 28th August. A commissioner for the prohibition of opiumsmoking will shortly make a tour of inspection throughout the various provinces to ascertain the extent of success that has attended the opium prohibition measures of the Imperial Government. The Canton Anti-opium Sociéty has arranged for a meeting to take place on the grat instant, for the purpose of making arrangements for the reception of the coming commissioner, and at the same time to devise further means to enforce the anti-opium regulations with a view to stricter compliance there-

-----CANTON-MACAOTRAILWAY. Lum Tak Yuen was the promoter of the scheme for the construction of the Canton-Macao Railway. He had entered into a contract with certain Fortuguese merchants for the construction of the road at the end of 1906, As no work on the line has been started since the signing of the contract. Lumi reported the I to it, the authorities matter to the Ministry of Posts and Communi- they have directed cations and asked the Ministry to negotiate sures should be t with the Portuguese Minister at Peking to emergency. H. B. carcel the contract. It is now reported from has given instru Peking that the contract signed by the two | Government gut parties concerned has been cancelled.

With reference to the suggestions of the officials of the Honam Police Station for the establishment of an industrial denartment connection with the prison of that station for prisoners convicted of minor offences, the Vicercy has now approved of the proposals and instructed the officials of that station to draw up regulations for the proposed depart-

COPPER CURRENCY.

The Canton Mint had suspended the minting of copper cents for three months from the 5th moon this year. The coining of the copper currency was resumed yesterday. Part of the output of this colorge will be exported to Kwangsi for circulation,

Arst August.

FOREIGN APPAIRS COMMISSIONER. The Imperial Government proposes to Moon close to the American Medical Board of Revenue, recommending the but it is essential that a good class of men be appoint a special Commissioner in each of the unifying of the present standards on the basis obtained, in order that patrons may rely on coast provinces of China solely to conduct \$40,000 per annum for a term of alk y laffairs with foreigners and has given instrucred to the Government Council for report and The exact type or make of car has not been tions to the Canton authorities to consider the moreover, promised to pay an patracter. feasibility of the appointment of such a Com- St,000 on the 4th year, \$2,000 on the 5th year in the matter. If the present coinage is brought experiments have been made and the matter missioner in Canton. If the Chuton authorities and \$3,000 on the 6th year, will will to a philorm standard, the other necessary gone into more fully that this question can be are in favour of the proposal, they are instructchanges to render the monetary system of China settled. Whatever type is selected the public od to make necessary arrangements for the All colleges and schools in Canton have been reasonable and possible will be easy, -- Blance may rest assured that twill be one renowned establishment of an office in this city for the re-opened during the last week after the mid-

LI SHAI KWAI Li Shai Kwai, formerly an official in who abscorded when he was found t malpractices by ex-Vicerby Shum Chil during his administration berel return Canton a few months ago, and be has surrendered himself to the Viceroy, H.E.Chi Jen-chun, to be examined with the hope that The may be exponented from the alleged charges and be reinstated into office. Since his return to Canton Li was placed in the custody of the Namboi magistrate. Viceroy Chang has investigated the charges and found that Livis not guilty of serious offences and in consideration of his having been heavily fined to the extent of over \$100,000 by H.E. Shum and of the good services be had rendered in former days. H.E. Chang is now about to recommend Li for reinslatement.

PROMOTING NATIVE INDUSTRIES. The newly-appointed Taotal for the Development of Native Industries in Canton has been is structed by the Viceroy to open a few exhibition halls in different parts in the city, where articles and objects of art of different descriptions may be exhibited to the people in order. that they may visit them and thus acquire a. better knowledge of manufactures.

AN ANCIENT TEMPLE. The Shing Woog Temple, one of the most ancient temples in the City of Canton; was somewhat seriously damaged by the typhoon of the 28th July last: one portion of the building collapsed, resulting in the death of one of the temple-keepers. Some of the charitable institutions are of the opinion to pull it down and rebuilt it with some of the material of the present temple so that this audient temple may be preserved in the memory of the people. The Kwongchow Prefect has been asked to issue a proclamation on the subject and to invite subscriptions for the work.

PROTECTING THE TELEGRAPHS. The Imperial Telegraph Administration bas now offered a reward of \$50 for the arrest of any one found stealing telegraphic materials belonging to the Administration.

CONSUL-GENERAL FOR SYDNEY.

Taotai Laing Lan Fun, the newly appointed Chinese Consul-General in Sydney, Australia. left here yesterday for the Capital to receive instructions before proceeding to take up his new appointment.

TYPHOON RELIEF. With the co-operation of the Central Relief Committee, the Shan Hou Chu are now distributing relief to the sufferers by the typhoon of the 28th July last. The amount of relief thus

distributed totals about \$4,000 in all, 1 FLOOD RELIEF FUNDS. In Saigon, through the influence of Mr. Chang Sik Chou, a Cantonese, a sum \$30.850 was collected from subscriptions there, and has been remitted to Canton towards the Flood

Relief Funds.

ist: September.

On the 20th ultimo, at about midnight, a passenger launch was held up by -a number of pirates at a place named Tong Tou in Weighow. When the launch was under their control, the pirates sailed away on board her to attack another passenger launch named Zee Yick in the vicinity. The crew of the last mentioned launch vigorously offered resistance, but was obliged to yield owing to the larger number of the sea robbers, with the result that four of the crew were killed.

PROTECTION AGAINST RIOTERS.

The Captonese residing in Kwangsi, at Tai Wong Kong, where a mutinous outbreak occurred recently and was suppressed by Admiral-Li Chun in co-operation with the local officials, have now made a representation to the Caston Self-Government Society with the fact that at present, though the disturbances there have been suppressed, the mulineers occasionally return to the locality and disturb the peace of the public. In the representation the Society was requested, on behalf of the Cantonese peobeen received here and in the other cities of ple, to apply to the Canton authorities for a the Orient making inquiry as to the theatres i large number of troops to be stationed in Tal

BELF-GOVERNMENT SOCIETY. Besides the above instance the Self-Government Society has received several representations complaining of cases of piracles and robberies in the surrounding districts of Canton. and the members of the Society have been asked to refer the facts of the reported cases to the authorities. A general meeting has been convened for to-day by the Society to discuss what steps should be taken to deal with these representations, as well as the question of

promoting native industries. PUI KING FOOK Through the recommendation of the Vicerov H.E. Chang Jen-chun, Pui King Fook, a banished official, was released, and he, has since been given his freedom. Yesterday, Pui sent a telegram to H.E. Chang in which he tendered him his hearty thanks for the signal favour in securing his release and stated that he will one day return to Capton to thank the Viceroy personally.

LIKIN COLLECTIONS: The collection of Likin dues during the last ten days of the 7th moon\_as\_reported\_by-the Likin officials amounted to 31,980.9.9.1 taels. and Septemi A RUMOUR.:

Soon after his return from a visit kong/Admiral Li Chun received iff the effect that some daring rob templating an attempt to hold to river steamers engaged in the d top ruo. The Commander in communicated the information Although the report is cont rumour and no serious u in the sea as far protection of th

The Viceroy, of of the Kwangtung the Imperial Govern at present, rice is bi the sufferers in this tion has been sen 7 to export a large on. dity to Canton to me In the memorial the Imperial Government to of that province to give ne different Likin Stations to exportation to Canton free of any hindrance whatsoever. A MEW THEATRE.

The Wing Lok Company have t ed by the Police Department the building a theatre on the new bund ar and Hospital, on payment of a snya In addition to the above sum the Compa

SCHOOLS RE-OPENED, 

3rd September.

SILVER DOLLAR PIECES. Though great, vigilance has been exercised by the Canton officials in preventing traders from withdrawing the silver dollar pieces recently issued by the Cauton Mint to a large number for local circulation, either for the purpose of exportation or melting down for profit, it is found that the number of these coins seemingly continues to decrease day by day and are becoming more and more scarce in the Capton market. 't is concluded by the authorities that some traders might be trafficking in the standard coins by exporting them from Capton, and the Canton Mint officials are therefore instructed to investigate the mutter and to devise means to check the practice, and at the same time to offer large rewards for the

apprehension of the offenders. CANTON-HANKOW RAILWAY. The collection of the 2nd call on railway shares of the Canton-Hankow Railway Company at \$1.50 each by the different charitable institutions which was commenced on the 1st day of the 7th moon, does not appear to be promising at all. For the whole of the 7th moon the amount collected by the Wei Hong Institutions was 31,000 taels, Kwang Chai zg,pop taels, Kwang Yam to, goo taels, Oi Yuk

30,600 taels, Shung Ching 8,300 taels, Ming Shin 2,800 taels, Shut Shin 820 taels and the taels. From the above can be seen the apparent anathy shown in the affairs of the In the year 1004, when the Company was started, a few millions of dollars were collected in a short since of time, but now the collection of the and call can only bring it with of 100,000 thels in a whole month. This is, no doubt, the autcome of the working of the Company being unsatisfactory to the shareholders and the Imperial Government's decision that the railway should be put under official control through the appointment of II. E. Chang

It is learnt in Mandarin circles here that the present Salt Comptroller, Ting Nai Young, will be appointed Taniai of Lungchow, in succession to Taotai You Shiu Shi who died last month.

Chih-tung as superintendent of the railway.

· · PROMOTION.

Last evening, at 8 o'clock, an outbreak of fire occurred in a shop named Sun Cheing Loong, in Luen Hing street, through the careloss use of kerosine oil. The firmes, shot, up very high in the air, and at the time of the accident it was expected that serious damage would result to the neighbouring buildings. Fortunately, by the time'y arrival of the various fire brigades, the confligration, was nut down promptly so that little or, no damage was sustained by the shops in the vicinity: the shop where the fire originated was gutted.

H. E. I eung Shing, ex-Chinese Minister to Germany, will leave here in a few days! time for Peking vin Hongkong. MILITARY GRADUATES.

AN TX MINISTER.

One hundred and eighty five students of the Military College at the Boca Tigris have recontly completed their course of studies. On the 28th ultime certificates were, distributed to these graduates by Admiral Li Chun.

#### A MATTHE OF JUKISDICTION.

MOTION TO SET ASIDE JURY'S VERDICT.

About six weeks ago a case of considerable interest, as involving the old question of the registration of partnerships, was heard before the Chief Justice. It was the case in-which-the-K-wang-Ming-Gheung-firm-of-Canton, sued for an injunction to restrain Meists. Reuter Brockelma'n and Company, their servants, and agents from falsely representthe verdict of the jury was as follows: --On the ground of trespass they returned a

unanimous verdict for plant ffs, and awarded Si damages.

They agreed that the nine persons were not partners in the Kwong Hing Cheong by a majority of five to two.

. They ngreed that the three, Wong Hing-tong and two others, partners in the Kwong Hing Cheang, were partners in the Chung Loong on February 21st, by a majority of six to one. They agreed, by a majority of four to three, that the defendants acted with reasonable and probable cause in alleging on February 21st.

Chung Loong They were unanimous in finding that this did not constitute a libel, and that there should

be no damages. : reserved judgment. He exempted the jury for leges. In the case of military instructors of

for their attendance. Last Monday the case came before the Full | Ministry. Court-comprising the Chief Justice, Sir Francis Piggott, and Mr. Justice Competiz-when Counsel were as follows: - For-the plaintiffsir. M. W. Slade, instructed by Wr. C. F. Dixon, their educational duties. -Messrs, Hastings and Hastings. For the Mendanu-Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C. and Bir

ir. Slade moved :-- , hat the verdict of the lother country. on the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th questions mitted to them be set aside on the grounds the verdict was contrary to the evidence.

Pollock moved that the Judge should wit the plaintiff at the trial on the follow-

ennds :--lacause the alleged wrongs were comwrongs were actionable by the law mendations.

the alleged trespass to immove. matters is not allowed to be felt.

Exequest of the German Consult N. C. D. News.

General at Cauton acting under the Treaty of Tientsin, 1861, between Germany and China for and on behalf of the defendants for the purpose of exacting payment by the pinintiffs to the defendants of moneys claimed by the defendants to be due to them by the plaintiffs, and it was not competent for the judge to assume that the issuing of the said warrant by the said Chinese Authorities was not a judicial 'act : and

(d) Because it was not competent for the judge to assume that such warrant, whether issued judicially or otherwise, was either irregular or invalid by the law of China. (e) Because the alleged libel was not set out

, in the statement of claim. (/) Because the occasion on which the communication constituting the alleged libel and the alleged false representations was made, was an absolutely privileged occa-

(g) Because the plaintiffs gave no evidence of express malice on the part of the defendants and in the absence of such evidence no action would lie in the Supreme Court of Hongkong against the defendants for setting the Chinese Authorities in motion under the aforesaid Treaty of Tientsin.

2 That the judge was wrong in directing the jury that in consequence of the defendants not having produced the warrant Chamber of Commerce 8,050 taels ; total 87,300 of the Chinese Authorities, under which the seizure of the property of the plaintiffs | Rose. had been made, they must find a verdict Company by the general body of shareholders. for the plaintiffs with damages for trespass to. the goods of the plaintiffs:-

> (a) Because it was not necessary for the defendants to produce such warrant at the trial inasmuch as (t) the fact that the seizure had been made under the warrant for the Chinese Authorities was admitted on the pleadings, and the Slatement of Claim contained no allegation impeaching the validity or regularity of such warrant; and (2) it was not competent for the judge to inquire into the validity or regularity of the warrant of the said Chinese Authorities inasmuch as it was issued and enforced beyond the jurisdiction of the Supreme

> Court of Hongkong. ence to show that the said warrant was

> Hongkong. e ce to show that the said warrant was invalid or irregular by the law of China.

(3.) That inasmuch as the jury found a verdirt for the defendants on all the issues of facts. left to them, and only found for the plaintiffs | duty at the wharf until about noon, : On his way i on the one issue of trespass to goods because I to the Central Station he called in at the Fire they were directed so to do, the judge was | Brigade Station to consult a brother officer wrong in refusing the application of the defend- about a hunting expedition which was to have unts for the costs of those issues which the been held shortly. P. C. Taylor sat on his jury had found in their favour.

refusal was based, namely:-That the direction to find for the plaintiffs on the trespass issue mitted thereafter were irrelevant, and therefore unnecessary, did not constitute "good cause" for depriving the defendants of the costs of ] such issues.

The question had not been decided when our representative left the Court.

Chief Justice, which was raised last Monday by Hurriedly, an ambulance was called and the Mr. M. W. Slade, who appears for the Kwong | unfortunate man conveyed to hospital: Hing Cheung firm, of Canton, was continued | became unconscious during the night, and died in the . upreme Court, on Tuesday. In this action Messrs, Reuter, Brockelmann and Company (the defendants) who were accused of having wropgfully seized the property of Messrs. Kwong Hing Cheung to satisfy an alleged debt, resulted in the Chief Justice awarding the plain- the local force, having been drafted from the tiff firm one dollar damages. Mr. Slade cri- Aberdeen Police. Prior to this deceased was ricised the verdict of the jury and analysed the evidence at length to show that the decision -|-should-he-upset.--The-discussion-had-not-con--|-Thunderton,-Peterhead, N.B., and his sudden. cluded by the time the Court rose.

In the Supreme Court, last Thursday, before | which he was held by all who knew him, ing to the German Consultat Capton, and to time Full Court, complising the Unit Jublice the Chinese author ties at Capton that certain and Mr. Justice Competts, the argument was of the partners of the Cheung Loong firm, of continued to set aside the jury's verdict in the Hongkong, sugar merchante, weightsn-partners | case in which Messis. Reuter Brockelmannland in the plaintiffs' firm; and from turther endeave Company Were sued by the Kwong Hing ouring to enforce payment by the pinintiffs of a Cheung firm, of Canton, for alleged wrongful debt alleged to be due to the defendants by the feezure of property belonging to them. Mr. M. Choung-Loong-firm, by attachment-of-property- -W.- Slade, instructed by Mr.-Dixon; of Messes: belonging to the plaintiffs or in which they were | Pastings and Hastings, appeared for the plain! interested. The plaint fis claimed the sum of I fis and Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., and Sir \$10,000 damages for alleged false representation | Henry Berkeley, K.C., instructed by Mr. Laing, and libel. The case lasted fourteen days and of Messrs. Deacon, Looker and Deacon, appeared for the defendants.

> THE STATUS OF LEACHERS IN CHINA.

PREVENTION OF DISPUTES BETWEEN CHINESE AND FOREIGNERS.

For the purpose of preventing disputes beween the Chinese authorities and foreigners employed as teachers and instructors by the Provincial Governments, the Ministry of Education has drawn up some new rules, which that these three men were partners in the have been sanctioned by the Empress Downger for the control of foreign teachers in China " he following are the most important points:--

1,-Without the sanction of this Ministry, no foreign subjects can be employed to act as After argument as to costs his Lordship to chers in any of the modern schools or coltwo years from civil duties and thanked them | advisers, the permission of the Ministry of War is necessary in addition to the sanction of this

z.-Foreign teachers or instructors should not interest themselves in litigation between Chinese and foreigners, or in any affairs outside-

3 .- The salaries of teachers and instructors shall be paid either in Chinese Government enry Betkeley, & C, instructed by Mr E. P. dollars coined in the central mint of the Minis-Laing, of Messes. Deacon, Looker and try of Finance at Tientsin or any other Chinese silver coin regardless of the currency of any

4.-Foreign teachers or instructors cannot leave their schools or colleges or resign unless three months' notice is given beforehand. nst the weight of the evidence and perse- In case of sickness of more than infleen a in that the majority of the jury were in- days, they must find suitable substitutes ced by the desire not to allow the plaintiffs whose pay, etc., must, be settled privately. If

wong Hing Cheung firm the identity of schools or colleges must do so and during the on a charge of swindling. That charge was | Saturday, 12th Sept. 2 to 5.30 | 500 yards.

Inters was concented by the use of hong period, one-half of the sick teachers pay will interpreted by the police as passing counter. Sunday, 13th , 10 to \$2.30 | 500 yards. be deducted to pay substitutes. 5.—Foreign teachers must obey the instruct

tions of the director and the head-master with the coolie called at his business house yesterregard to educational affairs. . 6 .- In order to secure the services of cap- paid for the article he wanted with a dollar note,

aintiffs failed to prove that such al- teachers or instructors without strong recom- however, he did not like the article he had pur-Country within whose jurisdiction 7 .- Foreign teachers must only be entrusted the parcel, together with the change, on the

stated in the pleadings of the | 8.-Upon satisfactory conclusion of their returned, and the coolie left. A few minutes to have been committed to im- agreements the Chinese Government, in addiproperty, situated in China be- I tion to the usual passage money, will give the Initialistion of the Supreme Court | teachers or instructors three months extra pay. The alarm was given, and a number of fokie Copies of the above new rules have been sent the act constituting the alleged Lto the various Provincial Governments, include I standing at the corner of the street." He was at to movesbles was the seigure of ling Manchuria and Mongolia, by H.B. Chang force seized, The cro'le, who gave the name of which forbid the discharge of oily water. property by the Chinese Author- | Chih-tung: Comptroller-General of the Ministry d'by the said Chinese Author. of Education, and they are already in force.

GYMRHANA NOTES.

SELECTION FOR THE EVENTS.

It was not untiliate this afternoon-at three. o'clock to be precise-when a friend asked me. for, a few." tips," for the gymkhana which is to be held to-morrow, that I was reminded that had a duty to perform for your paper.

For the past few weeks very little training work has been carried on, owing to two things-" the unseitled state of the track, and the unruly state of the elements. But notwithstanding \$79,639.63, which the directors recommend these disadvantages which the owners of ponics have had to contend with a few times were taken, but were not of much consequence.

. To-morrow's gymkhana should be a very sporting event, and should we be favoured with fine weather, a large attendance is assured. According to the programme which I have before me there are seven entries for the first event-the Five Furlong Race. This event

remains between Kingston, who is being ridden at 150 lbs, and Ard Patrick (157 lbs.) The Gymkhana Stakes—the race of the afternoon-should be considered that of Coxcomb, but Blue Nile must not go out of reckoning. For the Welter Race, for which there are three entries, Mr. Leeson's mount is worth

backing. The mile race should produce a good field. If Sidier Dhu start he should win. If not, the

The last race rests with Astral. POLICE OFFICER'S UNTIMBL

Through the death of Police Constable ed of being responsible for her injuries, by their William Taylor, which took place in the Government Civil Hospital, some time last night the Police Force of Hongkong has lost a most promising officer, and its members a

SUDDEN DEATH DUE TO SENSTROKE.

staunch friend. The circumstances surrounding the death of this popular officer are most pathetic. Police (b) Because the plaintiffs produced no evid- | Constable Taylor had been stationed at No. 6 Police Station, the Peak, for some time, and either invalid or irregular by the law of on the 1st instant was transferred to headquarters... Shortly after ten o'clock yesterday (c) Because the plaintiffs produced no evid- | morning P. C. Taylor was sent out on special duty at the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company's wharf. He appeared to be in his usual spirits, and no complaint had he been heard to make. He remained on friend's bed, while the friend busied himself (4) That the grounds upon which such about the room, listening to what was being said. Suddenly Taylor stopped speaking, and he was seen to fall back on the bed and then a terminated the case, and that the issues sub- second or so later he rolled to the floor. He was picked up by his friend and replaced on

the bed and on this occasion he was seized by A report was made to the Tsim-tsa-tsui Police. a violent fit of vamiting, from, which he soon recovered. For a while he seemed better and complained of feeling bad about the head. glass of soda water was handed him, but he did not have the time to drink much of it when he . The motion to set aside the judgment of the was seized with an attack again, and collapsed. as already, stated, before midnight. Death was due to substroke.

> being twenty-four years of age. came to Hongkong two years ago to join with his father in a dairy farm at Peterhead, Aberdeenshire. He was a native of East demise will come as a shock to many, owing to the man's sterling qualities and the esteem in eaves his parents in the Homeland, and brother-P.C. 94 A. K. Taylor-who is also a member of the local force—to mourn his loss. The funeral took place this afternoon under-Masonic rites and the cortege was followed by a squad of police officers and many civilians.

> > THE FLOUR CASE.

FURTHER LEAVE TO ARGUE GRANTED,

In the Bankruptcy Jurisdiction Court, last Tuesday alternoon, the Chief Justice (Sir Francis Piggott) gave his reserved decision in the action, commonly known as the "flour case." At the last hearing, Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C. (instructed by Mr. A. Holborrow, of Messrs. Deacon, Looker and Deacon) moved: t.—That the transfer by Li King Shek, the proprietor of the Kwong Yik Wo firm, of 14,000 bags of flour in favour of one Chan Mai Chi was a fraudulent proference," so against the other creditors of the debtor. 2.—That Chai

Kee was not a bona fide purchaser for value of the 14,000 bags of flour from the Chan Mai Chi; and 3 -That the Official Receiver and Trustee is entitled to the proceeds of sale of to,000 out of the bags of flour, which proceeds were paid into Court to the credit of Original Jurisdiction Action No. 205 of 1905

Mr. M. W. lade (instructed by Mr. C. E. H. Beavis, of Messrs, Wilkinson and Grist) moved for the dismissal of the metion as against Chai Kee on the ground that the Court hat no jurisdiction. He stated that Chai Kee was the. purchaser from Chan Wai Chee, and unless the purchase had been set aside it was good and

---The-Chief-justice-dismissed the first and s cond motions, and gave leave for the third item to be further argued.

ALLEGED COUNTERFEITER IN CUST ODY.

ACCUSED OF SWINDLING A SHOP ACCOUNTANT.

A Chinaman, well-dressed, and having the appearance of a shop foki, was given in cusfeit coins.

day under the pretext of making a purchase. He kopg currency alone will be accepted. ed beyond the territorial jurisdiction able men Viceroys and Covernors and other received his change, and proceeded to leave Supreme Court of Hongkong, and high authorities must not employ any foreign the premises. When he reached the door, chased, and returning to the accountant placed constituting the alleged wrongs with the teaching of civil and military subjects; counter, and demanded back his dollar bill, care must be taken that their influence in other | allegibg that he had paid twice too much for the stuff. To avoid any trouble the bill was later, the accountant discovered that the money he had received from the coolie was counterfeit. went in search of the man, whom they found I Fook Sam, was charged in the Police Court. to-day, with the offence, . He twas remanded. pail poing allowed in the dust of \$100.

HONGKONG HOTBL CO., LD.

DAST HALF-YEAR'S FINANCIAL RESULTS

. The profit on working account, to goth June, 1908, of the Hongkong Hotel Co., Ld., to the East, and as such should be treated with amounted to \$80,722.50 as compared with \$73,068.73 for the corresponding period of 1907, dealt with in book form, as it deserves to be, being un increase of \$7,754.0".

The profit and loss account, including the title page, bearing a title both extensive an sum of \$152.17 brought forward from 31st comprehensive, something after this style December, \*1907, shows a credit balance of should be apportioned as follows:--. 6 pay a dividend of 6 per cent. for

the half-year ...... \$ 36,000.00 To transfer to repairs and renewals account ...... 15,000,00 To write off furniture and fixture ... ( 10.000.00 To write off electric plant ......... 3,500,00 To write off steam launch To carry forward to new account ... 14,539,63

\$79,639.63

HER RICKSHA STRUCK BY A TRAM ON THE PRAYA EAST.

A LADY'S PREDICAMENT.

Mrs. Cecilia Cooper, a young woman who resides at 2, Observation Place, related to Mr. J. H. Kemp, in the Police Court to-day, a most painful adventure which she underwent on the Praya East yesterday: As evidence Mrs: Cooper showed a couple of bruises on her face, and informed the Court that she had also received several cuts about the leg. In the dock were

"I engaged a ricksha in town yesterday to return home," the complainant said. "While going along the Praya East I called the coolie's attention to the fact that a tramcar was coming up from behind, but he paid no attention, Again I told him to move off the lines, but still no notice was paid, until, finally, when hestarted to move he could not get away in time. owing to the presence of the second defendant! ricksha, which was on the wrong side of the road." The tram struck her ricksha and overturned it, throwing her on the road, and causing her the injuries, already mentioned.

His Worship found that there was negligence shown, and ordered each coolie to pay complainant \$15 compensation.

GOLD RINGS STOLEN.

THIEF WELL PUNISHED.

A few days ago Mrs. Hobbs, who resides at r. Ozmsby Villa, Kowloon, lost two gold rings from her house. The rings she valued at \$90. with the result that a description of the ring

was given to all pawnbrokers, with instructions to detain the person offering them in pawn. This had the desired effect, for yesterday a coolie named Chan Hoi was handed over to the police. Chan denied the charge vigorously, saying that he had found the rings. The

police believed, however, that while Chao was visiting some of the lady's servants be sneaked up to her room during her absence and stole the rings. Accused was charged in the Police The deceased was quite a young man, Court, to-day, and sentenced to six months' hard labour.

MAKINE COURT EXCESS OF PASSENGERS.

In the Marine Court, this morning, before the Hop. Commander Basil R. H. Taylor, R.N., | the P. and O. boat at Tilbury you enter Chit-Harbour Master, Police-Sergeant George Jack- land. Drinks and smokes and a lot of other son charged Mr. Wolfgang Horn, master of things can be had through the simple medium the Norwegian steamship Spir, and Wing of a little printed card, with blanks on which Sing, of 81, Wing Lok Street, the agent or to sign your name and cabin number. charterer of the same ship, with unlawfully in attempting to leave the waters of the Colony by the said port clearance on the 3rd instant. swful legend in blue—the total of your indebt-The first defendant dented the charge while the second defendant admitted the offence.

. It was stated by prosecutor that at 3.30 on, just as bad as ever. The result is that p.m. yesterday, he boarded the s.s. spir. He demanded from the master the port clearance, are a confirmed chit-signer, and Singapore is which allowed only twelve passengers. He ready to receive you with open arms. Which counted twenty passengers in presence of the indoes. master-an excess of eight.

It was stated by the master that he told Wing Sing, his charterer, that he would not take more than twelve passengers. Despite-this, more than twelve passengers came on board before the vessel's departure.

Wing Sing's statement was to the effect that it was a mistake on the part of his fokt. It was further stated by the master that he

informed Wing Sing two days beforehand that he could only take twelve passengers, and he repeated his order again yesterday before the passengers came on board The first defendant was fined to cents while

Wirg Sing had to pay \$240 to the Court.

HONGKONG VOLUNIEER RESERVE ASSOCIATION.

INTERPORT COMPETITION PRACTICE.

Practices will be held at King's Park Range on Caturday, 5th, and Sunday, 6th September, and each Saturday and Sunday until further notice, for the purpose of choosing a team from the best shots in the Colony who shall compete against teams in Shanghai, Singapore and Penang, for the Interport Challenge Trophy. It is hoped that all the best shots of this Association will endeavour to obtain places in the team...

\_pool\_shooting. Practice and Pool Shoots will be held at the Peak Range as follows: ve the benefit of the judgment of this sick teachers or instructors cannot find suit tody of the police yesterday afternoon by the Saturday, 5th Sept. 2 to 5.30} 200 yards.

urable Court because in the accounts of able substitutes, then the director of the accountant of a firm at 145, Bonham Strand, Sunday, 6th , 10 to 12.30}

> Members are notified that cash must be paid It was alleged by the shop accountant that on the range for ammunition and cards and in no circumstances can credit be given. Hong-Shooting dates for the remaining week-ends in September will be notified later.

> > RESULT OF HARBOUR REGULATIONS.

Tokio, August 31. As the T. K. K. S. Tenyo Marie was proceed. ing of her voyage outside Yokohama yesterin her forward stoke bold. The outbreak was the result of the Yokohama harbour regulations The damage done was slight. Repairs are completed and the Zongo Mores left for Ban

Francisco this afternoon,-N. C. D. Rene.

CHITS,

AND ALL ABOUT THEM.

This subject is one of the greatest importance to the wise (or otherwise) young men who come due dignity and respect. If the subject were should have, in the first place, a magnificen

> What they are, and Why. A description of their use and abuse : in the wirds of the Far East : With special reference to Clubs and other institutions in Singapore:

Complete Guide as to How to Avoi-. also How to Reach, the Bankrupicy Court (By One Who Knows).

That just about shows what ground we have to cover.

When we come to grips with the question we are faced immediately with this question; Who invented monthly pay-days?

Preserving a perfectly impartial, mind, we should then ask: Ought he to have a statue erected to his memory, or ought he to be treated h la Guy Fawkes? The answer will vary according to whether the individual is one who receives chits, or one who signs them, There will no doubt be many possessed of an. over-growing banking account who will rise up and say "Blessed be the inventor of chits" And there will be others who-but 'auff said, as the poet puts it.

Can it be that the late lamented Sir Stamford Raffles invented Singapore and chits at the same time? It may be so. The fact may two ricksha coolies, whom Mrs. Cooper accus- have escaped the notice of his biographers. Imagine the soul of Sir Stamford entering for a space, some sunny, evening, into the bronze statue on the Plain. With folded arms he stands proudly surveying the result of his-bandiwork, and soliloquises thus: "Here we are. This is Singapore. This is what comes of being enterprising. Look at al that shipping, spread out miles in length. Look at this esplanade. See these young men playing. cricket (nearly all of them bankrupt). Look at those fine buildings. See what the commerce of Singapore is . . . , and all built up on chits !"

But it cannot have been Sir S. He's got his statue, sure and safe. People only get statues erected to their memory when everybody agrees. that they deserve them, and if there had been any thought that he invented chits-and monthly pay-days-there would have been a difference of opinion—as to the statue idea. So is couldn't have been him.

Anyway, there we are. We have got t system, and we have got to make the worst of t-at least, that is what most of us do. What is a chit?. In plain and simple language, a chit is an ingenious and pleasant.

looking contrivance for causing you to buy, absolutely against your will, a lot of things (chiefly in liquid form) that you have very litt use for that are not good for you and that you have really very little hope of ever being, able to pay for. Do you know the story of the Hebrew gen-

tleman, who like most of all his co-religionists, was a genius at business? Speaking to one who was not of his persuasion he remarked : "What astonishes me is where you Christians get all the money hat we get from you!" There is a world of truth in 'it ; and somehow one is led to think that chits were—but no.

There is no need to stir up racial animosities over the question of who invented chits, though it is quite likely that the real and original culprit was proud of his achievement. The chit evil is deep-seated, deep-rooted. Whether or not it was first established in the East-for it may not have been the very cer--tain that the disease has spread for and wide. In point of fact, the moment you step on board

Then there comes the end of the week-not month, in this instance—and you are presented after baying obtained a port clearance with a with a neat bundle held together with an elasnumber of passengers greater than that allowed | tic band. On the back of the last one is an

> When you get over the initial shock you go when the boat dumps you at Teluk Blanka you

The disease of chit-signing is rarely found to be curable. There have been cases where strong men have tried to struggle with the fatal habit, only to fail. There have been instances where men have, in desperation, fled from these shores to the place from whence they came. where chits are not known; but the deadly WITH reference to recently current rumours. known to throw such people into a state of against his Honour Judge Wilfley. frenzy. They have went tears of joy on beholding the welcome sight once more, after an THE command of the Alderity, dispatch ship

absence of years. There are only two things to be done with will be retained by Commander Cyril T. M. the chit system: Either it should be abolished Fuller, who took over the command in February -which is, of course, impossible-or it should last. Lieut. Neil O'Niell has been appointed be extended to all branches of commerce. Why | first officer of the Alecrity, from the battleship not pay for rikisha rides by chits? Why not | Dreadinought. Lieut. O'Neill is a smart officer give tips in chits? Why not give chits over of eleven years' service in the Royal Navy." the counter when you buy stamps i

Do you remember the case of the lady whose banking account was overdrawn? What did sne do?-Calmly wrote out a cheque for the amoun'! Now, chits might be used something after this fashion. Why not start a banking to go into a local bank and reaching for the an account here. Stick that down to my name. . . . " (handing him a chit with "I O. U. \$50,000" written on it).

That would be something like, When one had drawn cash for the total amount-one could write out another chit. The

thing is simplicity itself ! that is to say, the old resident, gets a great deal hereby given that the following changes in the of fun out of watching the flounderings of the positions of buoys marking the Confucing in new arrival who endeavours to suit himself te | Channel have been made :- South-east Spit !!! the ways of the place. This fun might be added | Buoy (gas-lighted) is now moored in 16 feet at the to greatly if, say, once a year a special kind of low water of spring tides. From the Buoy, the tournament or competition were held. Only South-west Beacon bears N. 23° E., distant 3.0 newcomers should be allowed to enter and the miles. Acteon Budy is now moored in 60 feet object should be to see who could, run up the of water at low water of spring tides. From the largest number of bills, or the largest bills, in Buoy, South-west Beacon bears S. 83" E. distant the shortest space of time. This would provide | 5.7 miles. All bearings given are magnetic. a fine test for the abilities of the chit-signer

new to the game.... As to winning the prize I am afraid that I at any rate, shouldn't stand an "carthly," C. V. H. in Singapers Free Press.

Cheupe Ho-was fined \$5.

#### COMMERCIAL

WEEKLY SHARE REPORT

Reviewing the share business for the work, Messrs, H. S. Kadoorie & Co. write under to-

day's date :-During, the past week, the market has continued quiet and inactive with but a small, business to record, but rates in most cases have, been fairly well maintained. The ordinary half-yearly meeting of share-

holders in the Hongkong Hotel Co., Limited, is advertised to take place on Saturday, the rath just. The transfer books of the Company will be closed from the 6th tp. the 12th install The ordinary general meeting of sharehold. ers in the Douglas, Staamship, Co., Limited, will be held on Saturday, the 19th Beptember. The transfer books of the company will be?

closed from the 8th to 19th September! Banks .- Hongkong and Shangbai Banks have ruled steadier, during the week and towards the close, were sold at \$750. The London quotation is £78 tos.

Marine Insurances,-North Chinas are still in favour in the North at Tis. 78, while Cantons remain neglected at \$220. Unions can probably be placed at \$750. Sales of Yangtszes: have been effected at \$166.

Fire Insurances .- Both China Fires and Hongkong Fires are in demand at quotations. Shipping.-There are buyers of Hongkong, t Canton and Macao Bleamboats at \$274, but sellers are not forthcoming. Star Ferries old and new are unchanged and without business

Refineries,-China Sugars are quiet at notation. Perak Sugars are again on offer at

Mining.—Chinese Engineerings have strengthened, and buyers prevail in the North

at Tis. 16. Raubs can be sold at \$71. Docks, Wharves and Godowns.—There are buyers of Kowloon Wharfs at \$46. Whampon Docks have sellers at \$100. In the North, there are sellers of Shanghai Docks at Tls. 85, while Hongkew Wharls are wanted at Tls. 1674 Lands, Hotels and Buildings.-Humphreys Estates are obtainable at \$10. Hongkong Lands are veglected at \$24. Shanghai Lands are firmer and buyers prevail at Tla. 1164. Cotton Mills.—A slight decline in Ewos has. occurred and sales have been effected at Tis. 6r. Hongkong Cottons have been sold at Sir. There are sellers of Internationals at Tis, 66,

Lau Kung Mows at Tis. 85, and Soy Chees at Miscellsneous,-Chipa Providents bave been booked at \$94 and more are wanted at the: rate. Sales of Green Island Cements have been effected at \$10 ex the interim dividend of 40. cents per share paid on the 31st ult. Hongkongin Ropes have been dealt, in at \$24. William, Powells are inquired for at \$4. Langkats, have experienced a sharp rise closing with

buyers at Tis. 5921...... Exchange. - the Banks selling rate on London is 1/91 on demand. The T.T. rate on Shanghai is 75 Dividends Payable,-Langkats-Third inerim of Tis. 10 per share for a/c 1908, payable:

in Shanghai on the 15th inst. TO- LY'S EXCHANGE.

Selling. America—Bank T F. .....428 .hanghal-Bank T.T ...... 75

singapore-Bank-T.T. per H.K. \$100 ......75

ava-Bank T.T.....tc Buying. lordays' sight San Francisco A Ivew York .. 432 months' sight to days ment Sydney & Melbourne ......... 198 

#### LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A DISPATCH from Peking reports that the new Russian Minister was expected to arrive thereon the 10th ultimo.

ONE sergeant, Army Ordnance Corps, wife, and child, arrived in the Command for duty on and instant from Colombo per s.s. Devanhay

desire has seized them again, and they have the N. C. D. News understands that legal prohastened back, slaves to chit-itis. The sight | ceedings will shortly be instituted in the matter of a chit pad lying on a hotel table has been lof the charges that have been publicly made

to the China Squadron, on recommissioning,

I'm has been known to the police for some time past that the loafers of the city were in the habit of making Blake Garden their sleeping. grounds, but they could do nothing as the night birds" were nearly always aware of account with chits? How splendid it would be their approach and, of course, made themselves scarce. At about three o'clock this morning. chit pad femark to the clerk, "I want to open Policeman Elridge, having got the "tip" paid a visit to the gardens and arrested five men, who were found fast aslesp on the seats or on the grass. The accused were each fixed \$200

THE following police to mariners has been issupdat Shanghal: - Yangtzo Kiver-Uoniucius The old established chit-signer in Singapore; Channel-alteration in buoyage; Notice is

when brought before Mr. J. H. Kemp to-day."

In the Supreme Court, this morning, Mr. Justice, 11 Gomperts presiding, three claims were brought against the Imperial Brewing Company, or Wong-neischong Road. Judgment in each claim was entered for the plaintiffs. "The first action was brought by Mr. A. F. Wels, the ANOTHER ricksha coolin-making about the brown, for \$400 for wages, The two other twentieth in a fortnight-was prosecuted in the litems were brought by Messes. Imps. Crawlord Police Court, this morning, for demanding and Company to recover 1 \$205.59 and by dayasternoon; an ontbreak of fire was discovered more than his legal fare. In addition defendant Messrai Mayasaki and Company for \$145; bewas also charged with assaulting Mr. I. M. ing for goods sold and delivered Mr. E. Kavier, an assistant engineer of the P.W.D., who Davidson, Mesers. Hastings and Hastings who " appeared as complainant, in both cases. The appeared for the Brewing Cympany, consented latter charge was not proved, and that was dis- in indement. He asked for a stay of execution missed. On the other charge the coolie-in until liquidation proceedings were begun This

ACCORDING to a Tokio despatch of 24th ulto. Dr. Koch has sailed for Washington, where he will attend the International Tuberculosis in Fukien, Chekiang, Kiangsi and Shansi. Conference.

His Majesty the King has not been advised to exercise his power of disallowance with respect to the Ordinance to amend The-Evidence Ordinance 1889.

THE King's exequatur empowering Mr. Tatsuichire Funatsu to act as Vice-Consul for Japan at Hongkong has received His Majesty's signature.

THE master of the s.s. Cheong Shing reports a steamer's mast showing above water of Fort Point, Hokshan Bay, Haitan Straits, apparently not long immersed.

MR. G. Wuilleumier, secretary of the International Cotton Mills and one of Shanghai's most popular jockeys, has returned to the northern settlement from his holiday.

FOR allowing the "Yulo" of his boat to project outboard, while lying alongside the s.s. Rejaburi, Chan Mi, a bostmani was fined 12 in the Police Court, on Saturday last.

In the action in the Summary Court last Friday over alleged damages to a house roof Mr. M. A. Vas was the plaintiff. He was represented by Messra, Goldring, Barlow & Morrell, salicitors.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to recognise, provisionally and pending the receipt of His Majesty's exequatur, Dr. Rössler as Consul for Germany at Hongkong during the absence on leave of Dr. E. A. Voretzsch. MR. T. L. PERKINS, executive engineer, has

been deputed by His Excellency the Governorin-Council to act on behalf of the Building Authority in all cases referred to in section 207 a of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903. WE learn from a Hankow paper that Com-

mander General Chang, of that province, has engaged a Japanese as balloon teacher to the 8th regiment. Already, he has issued orders to the officers to select able soldiers to attend balloon ascent exercise at the Military Academy.

THE Japanese Government has issued, through the foreign Embassies and Legations in Tokio, invitations to foreign Governments to send military officers to inspect the grand manœuvres. of the Japanese army, to be held in the provinces of Settsu, Kawachi and Idzumi this

An actor and a hawker, who were amusing themselves in Hollywood Road last Friday after noon by punching eath other over the head, because they could not settle an argument amicably, had each to:pay three dollars, or go to gaol for one week with hard labour, in the Police Court, on Saturday morning.

A HOARDING house runner, trading under the name of Fung Man, of 64, Second Street, walked into the compound of No. 7 Police Station last Friday evening in search of a friend, whom he believed to have been arrested. Inspector Robertson accommodated Fung Man with a cell for trespass. He paid one dollar in the Police Court, on Saturday morning.

Tife Japan Mail says that a young man o German nationality ran over a Japanese and his infant about 4,30 pim. on Aug. 15th while riding in Yamamoto-cho, injuring them severely. He is said to have attempted to make his escape without paying attention to the victims, but was stopped by some people, who handed him over to the Bluff police, by whom he underwent examination.

Kokumin, naval experts have tested the torpedo named Ali Mohammed. The promissory note gun invented by Commodore Cleveland Davis, was received by the broker in the afternoon as penetrated the thickest armour, without-explosione the returned the promissory note was gone. A ding. It is expected that it will be adopted by search was made, without any results, and the U.S. Navy.

FOR bringing letters into the Colony, for delivery, without the same having passed through the hands of the Post Office, was the charge a Chinaman named Chan han Tso had to answer in the Police Court, last Saturday. The lettersnineteen in all-which were mostly addressed to America, were discovered by Police Sergeant Wilson, who was searching for opium. The accused was fined \$10 for the offence, the alter native being fourteen days hard labour.

A LANDSLIDE took place on Kennedy Road last Friday afternoon. A Chinaman, named Fong Lun about forty-six years age, was engaged at the time filling his baskels with earth which he was scraping from the hillside. He the 18th and was attended by the business could not get out of the way in time and was buried in the debrig. The accident was notic- seven or eight Roman Catholic missionaries the unfortunate man's assistance. The coolie had apparently been killed instantly and his body was sent to the mortuary by the Wanchai

THE Ministry of Posts, and Communication has instructed the Directors-General of the various Imperial Railways to manage with frugality and to dismiss all the supernumer aries now in the employ of the Railways. is stated that in obedience to this order about forty supernumerary officials employed on the Peking-Mukden Railway will be dismissed. H. E. Chen Pib. President of the above-noted Ministry, proposes to construct a railway from Hunan to Yunnan in order to facilitate communications.

WE learn that the proposed railway extension of the fine connecting with the Pingheiangmine is to be undertaken by the Canton-Hankow Railway Company. The Pinghaiang coal mine proposed to make this extension on their line from Chuchow to Shanshan, but the Hunan division of the Canton-Hankow Railway considered that this line should be built by the Railway Company as part of the main line. The necessary consent of the Board of Posts and Communications has already been obtainnd.-Bhanghai Times.

HEMP conditions in the Philippine Islands are improving steadily and the output of the fibre is constantly increasing as is shown by A REPORT has been made to the police of a increase in shipments to continental ports covered until about half an hour later, when ing from the heat and humidity of the Hong. led of recovery. On Tuesday, however, the above 37.339 bales up to on 34th nito, and the passenger returned to his cabin to have his kong summer to Mindapao as an ideal Eastern patient developed pneumonia in the left long. September Mancasier, Moyane, Pring Lud-Bong for Sounds years,-Marila Times.

khana Club fixed for last Saturday afternoon, 26th ult. with great !clat. The road is well fied as an interpreter in the Japanese lan-

Imporial sanction to establish local branches | ber, 1908.

Viceroy Chen-Kwei-lung, of Hukwang, has received instructions from the Ministry of the Interior, instructing that a census of various departments and districts be taken within three

TANG SHAO-YI, Special Envoy to the United States, arrived in Tientsin on the 25th ultimo from Mukden where he has handed over his Governorship of Feagtien to Viceroy Hau Shih. chang. H.E. Tang left Tientsin for Peking the

NEWS has now been received of Dr. Sven Hedin. A caravan from Lhassa (Thibet) has Swed sh traveller is well, and his caravan in the King Alfred, for the Fame to date July 14, good condition.

A CANTON dispatch reports that Mr. Yen, of the Liangkwang Military Secretariat, has been placed under arrest. He is charged with being in collusion with the Kolaohui, a well-known secret society having local branches in different parts of the country, notably in Anhui, Hupch and Honen.

THE residence at Yuigabama, Kamakura, of Mr. J. E. de Becker was totally destroyed by fire on 22nd ult. The inmates of the house ist managed to escape in their night attire. The loss is very heavy, and among the property destroyed is a fine library and a valuable collection of curios.

IT is reported that a member of the Russian Consulate in Tientsin, named Chia Ching-lu, has been arrested in connection with the recent outrage committed against the Russian Consul, M. Poppe. Chia is at present imprisoned in the Chinese Police Station and will shortly be brought before the Tientsin Customs Tactai

their misbehaviour in the Police Court, last Tuesday. They were charged by Inspector Withers and Mr. J. Ross, of the Public Works Department, with refusing to accept hire when disengaged. On this charge they were found quilty, and they were called upon to pay fines of 5 and \$3 each, respectively.

A "LEARNED" thick entered the bed-room of Mr. J. Wotherson, a clerk, residing at 6, Stanley Street, sometime during last Monday night or early on Tuesday morning, and stole from the pocket of one of the gentleman's trousers, which was hanging on a peg, something like \$175 in cash: As quietly as he entered the thiel took his departure, leaving no trace behind him.

With reference to the remarks appearing, in our last Monday's issue aneut the proposed Typhoon Emergency Corps, we now learn on good authority that twenty-five members have already volunteered their services, which must be considered is a very encouraging beginning. This being the typhoun season, it is to be hoped that more people will step forward and make the new scheme the success it deserves

A CULINARY artist named Leung Sam was brought before Mr. J. R. Kemp, in the Police Court, to-day (ist inst.), charged with larceny, on which charge he was sem inded. Leung was alleged to have boarded the steamer Ilha Dom Joan, lying off Wanchai, at about five o'clock this morning and stole from the stoker's wardrobe something like \$2.20 worth of clothing. Leung's -clumsy-movements-were-supposed to have awakened the stoker, who seized him.

ACCORDING to a telegram received by the Monday from the office of an Indian broker, U.S.N., and they were pleased with the satis- part payment of a debt. . On receipt of the note factory results of the experiment. This gun Ali Mohammed placed it under a paper-weight throws a projectile which explodes after pass. on the top of his desk, and proceeded to attend ing through a ship's armour. At the trial it to his work in another part of his office. When police aid was invoked.

> A TELEGRAM from Nagasaki reports an inter esting incident that has just occurred on board the steamer Manshu bound from Kuchinot su for Singapore. A policeman examining the hold heard a sound emanating from rice bags. While wondering what it was, he saw a feminine hand protruding from one of the bays. He at once took out the bag, and discovered nine young girls being stowed away to Singapore. They were released and a man who had kidnapped them was taken in charge

THE funeral of the late Dr. Stocke (of the Church of Scotland Mission), who died of cholers at Ichang on the 17th-ultimo, was held on community of the port as well as by some ed by a number of other coolies, who rushed to I who remain at their post all the year round. In the absence of the other representatives of Protestant Missions, who are all away at Kuling the Hankow Daily News says the burial service was perforce read by a Chinese cleric.

> A.CHINAMAN named Cheung Lam, otherwise called Cheng Iu Fun, who was discovered at an early hour this morning (1st inst.) -in the Hongkong and Whampon Dock Co.'s premises, peering through the cracks of the store-room d or, by the aid of matches, was seized, and charged in the Police Court, this morning, by the head watchman with being "in enclosed premises for an unlawful purpose." The accused stated that he "thought" he went there. to look for a chum. The Magistrate (Mr. Kemp) gave him fourteen days to thick sgain.

know it is correct.—Shanghai Free Press.

THE Director-General of the Te-ching Yin- STATION leave hus been granted to Captain bong, or national Bank of China, has obtained B. S. Philipotts, R.E. from 3rd to 7th Septemi.

LIEUTENANT A. Gott, Inspector of Army Schools, proceeded to Tientain on 30th ultimo. per s.s. Kusichow, on inspection duty. TERMISSION has been granted to Lieut.-Commander H. Yoshikawa, of the Imperial Japan-

ships at Devenport. LEAVE of absence, on urgent private affairs. to the United Kingdom; has been granted to Major L. H. Parry, M.O.A., from 9th September to 14th December, 1908;

ese Navy, to visit the naval establishments and

SUB-LIEUTENANT J. E. L. Bashford has been arrived at Leh, in Kashmir, bringing a letter promoted to the rank- of Lieutenant, with from one of his servants, saying that the seniority of Oct.,15, 1907, and reappointed to

> a is reported that an accident occurred on the U. S. destroyer Bainbridge, during 'n test of speed between Cavite and Corregidor, by the explosion of a boiler tube in which one of the crew was seriously injured.

> ON 27th ult. Judge Smith, of Manila, in the criminal court sentenced Tan Yao Bin imprisonment for six months and to pay a finaof P 1,000. Tan Yan Bin was convicted of smuggling 150 cans of apium into the Philippines on the steamer Yuensang.

> MR. C. C. Hill, assistant engineer of the Electric Tramway Company, detected a coolie, yesterday, leaving the power house, with two pieces of brass. The coolie, who was immediately given in charge, was sentenced to six weeks hard labour in the Police Court, to-day.

the Police Court, last Wednesday, with steal ing \$8 worth of blotting paper from the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, was Two more ricksha coolies paid the penalty for discharged on I hursday, the accusation not being proved. Mr. Fung Luk Un, a shroff in the Back, prosecuted. STEALING one catty and ten taels of Chinese

COOLIE-Ling Ying-who was charged in

medicine from a godown in Connaught Road West last Wednesday, was the charge a coolie had to answer in the Police Court, on Thursday. This charge, however, could not be proved, and it was altered to one of unlawful possession, on which count he was fined \$5-the alternative being a fortnight in gool.

ACTING Collector of Customs Clifford D. Ham! at lloilo reports that the Kaifong which arrived there from Hongkong lost two of her propeller blades while going around Llorente Point at. the entrance to the harbour, it is supposed that the propeller struck a submerged wreck lying there and the wreck will be blown up with dynamite by the engineer in charge of the improvement of the port at iloilo.

AT the Police Court, last Thursday, a farm labourer, by name Li Kat allas Li Loi, formerly employed on a farm at Kowloon City, was convicted on two charges. He was charged, firstly, with stealing a bamboo hat from a widow on Wednesday, and secondly, with furnishing false information, to wit, giving a false name and address to a pawnbroker while pawning a pair of trousers. On each of these charges he was given six weeks imprisonment.

A FIGHT which took place yesterday afternoon between a number of coolies and two painters. who were employed on board the steamer It was stated that the trouble was caused by one of the coolies interfering with one of the A PROMISSORY note for \$710 was stolen last painters, who pushed the man away. The where he arrived at about 6.30 in the evening. accused were arraigned in the Police Court. to-day, charged with assault, on which they were found guilty and ordered to pay \$5 each.

> Another coolie has been arrested and charged in the Police Court, this morning (3rd inst.), with snatching an ear-pick from a woman in Des -Vocix Road, yesterday afternoon. "It was alleged that the accused-Chan Sam-came up from behind the woman, who was in company with a friend, and snatched the ear-pick from her heir. His efforts to elcape were unsuccessful. Chan was taken before Mr. J. R. Wood, and he was ordered to be detained in police custody until

TAKING a fancy to a pair of shoes which was exhibited on the counter of a shoemaker's shop at 233, Hollywood Road, ast Wednesday, a coolie named Chan Fu decided to put the shoes t some use. Quietly strolling up to the counter Chan annexed the pair of shoes and left th premises unnoticed-so Chan thought. Joki, however, stopped Chan as he reached the door and gave him in charge. "lie was brought up to the Police Court, on Thursday, and was ordered to pay a fine of \$20, or go to goal for

THE Ray. I. Genabr begs to acknowledge with thanks the following, donations for the Blind home recently transferred to Hongkong on account of the typhoda:-

Total sum already acknowledged \$687 "Friends at Hok Un to whom the little band, of blindchildren, out for their afternoon walk, was a familiar sight " ....... 30 Mr. S. Swart ....... 25

Mr. A. H. Mackenzie..... Further donations for the Blindhome, sent to the Rev. I Genahr, 22, Bonham Road, will be duly acknowledged.

CONSUL-General Wilder of Hongkonz is a guest of Provincial Attorney Campbell, says We are pleased to hear that a consignment of the Mindanao Herald. Colonel Sharpe pre-Australian horses is expected to arrive shortly sented the officers of the post-to Mr. Wilder-onfor the Imperial Chinese Post Office. The Saturday evening at the Army and Navy Club. horses are intended for the purpose of drawing. Mr. Wilder is a Yale man, class of '84, and is the mail van to and from the steamers. This well known to the newspaper world, having formerly connected with the Japan Gonetle is a step in the right direction. The ever-in- been editor of the Wisconsin State Journal, the former journal states that the discovery of creasing weight of the mail bags is becoming Madison, Wisconsin, for sourteen years pre- her dangerous, state, which led up to the too much for the China ponies, especially vious to his entering the consular service. He operation, was purely accidental, The deceased when the weight of half a dozen coolies is ad- has won high favour in his present station at lady called on June 9th on Dr. Mcgavin, who ded to the already overloaded van. Although Hongkong, where he is constantly in touch with had attended her late husband, and during this is not an official notification, we heard it an unusually large number of Americans from the visit be noticed she had great difficulty in from such an entirely reliable source, that we the Islands. Mr. Wilder is spending, his breathing. He asked permission to examine summer vacation in visiting points of interest her, and found that goitre had so developed in the Islands. He has been to Jolo and over that an operation was nigently necessary. Mrs. the Lanso trail. He is thoroughly delighted Vaughan Smith might have choked at any with his trip and thinks Mindanso the most moment, and hearing this she consented to here and in Cebu. The total receipts of hemp the Canton steamer Paul Beau, between one beautiful virgin land he has ever seen, and undergo the operation. On June 12th she at the two ports last year from January 1 to and three o'clock last Tuesday morning, while prophesies a wonderful future for the Moro entered the same furning home in which her August 24 amounted to 612,380 bales, and for the vessel was alongside her. wharf. A robber Province under American occupation and rule. husband had been treated, Mrs. Vaughan the same period this year the receipts were gained admittance into the cabin of a Chinese Mr. Wilder says that he was told by friends in Smith was in good spirits, although 635,646 bales. Shipmonts to the United King passenger—the head of a firm in Bonham Hongkong that he would not find a trip to McGavin told her frankly that the chances of dom have increased somewhat over 12,000 Strand-and during his absence on deck, forced these southern islands beneficial to one in success were about even. The operation was bales and show a total shipment of 266,902 open his trunk and removed a gold watch and nearth of rest and recuperation. He has found performed on Monday, June 13th, and turned bales for this -year as against 254,670 bales for chain and various other articles of jewellery, this theory to be absolutely without foundation out to be more serious than at first suspected, the corresponding period of last year. The valued at \$375. The robbery was not dis- in fact, and will hereafter direct those suffer. but it was successful and hopes were untertain-

THE fourth meeting of the Hongkong Gym: THE Nanking City Railway was opened on Carrate R.A. Steel, Indian Army, has quali- IT has been decided that the treaty between SIR Robert Hart, Bart, and Lady Hart left

SEVERAL evenings ago a collision occurred at Woosung between U.S.S. Colleg and the tow boat Shan Yuen. Both vessels received slight damage, the Callan about the bows and the Shun Yuan on the side. The tow boat has since been docked and repaired.

A TOKIO message states that the training ship Matsushima, whose name was removed from the active list of the Navy on July 31, is now being refloated in sections. It will be remembered that the vessel was sunk by an explosion. off Formosa, heavy loss of life ensuing.

THE courser Crescent, Captain C. F. Henderson, left Portimouth on 6th ult. for the China Station, with da'ts on board for the China Equadrop, including relief crews for the despatch ship Alacrity, the sloops Cadmus and Clio, the river gunboat Kinsha, and a half crow for the Tamar, receiving ship at Hongkong.

MESSRS. Fradelle and Young, of Regent-street, have issued a large size photograph of the guests at the recent dinner given by the China. Association to Sir Robert Hart. Considering the difficulties of a picture of this sort, the result is in the main satisfactory, many of those present being very clearly delineated.

THE King has been pleased to give and grant unto Edgar, Bruce Hart, Esq., Commissioner of the Imperial Chinese Maritime Customs, His Majesty's Royal licence and authority to accept and wear the Insignia of the First Class of the Third Division of the Imperial Chinese Order of the Double Dragon, conferred upon him by his Imperial Majesty the Emperor of vovernment has concluded a loan of \$2,000,000 China, in recognition of valuable services with the Chiao-tung Yinhong or Bank of rendered by him.

WITH reference to a proposal for amalgamat. ing the Whale Fishing Companies, it is stated that, whereas ten years ago there were only two whalers in Japanese seas, and their catch for the year aggregated only 20 whales, valued at Y26,000, last year the number of whalers wa thirty, and they took 1,000 whales valued a Y1,400,000. There are said to be now over twenty companies, and the competition between them is so keen that they are not only doing their best to ruin each other by legitimate means, but are alleged to go so far as to rob each other by force.

tured a coolie who was in the act of leaving the | was something wrong, searched the man in the house with a bundle of clothing in his hand. The street. Explanations were fruitless and the man-Li Wo-had forced an entrance through | coolie was called upon to pay \$10 or undergo the back door by picking the lock. In order | 21 days' imprisonment. to secure the intruder a scuffle took place, which, naturally, brought in the neighbours ABOUT nine tenths of the shareholders in the from house No. 55, who also complained of Chinese Telegraph Company have sold their. having been robbed. While several persons shares to the Ministry of Posts and Comseized hold of the intruder; a few others examined his bundle, which was found to contain certain clothing stolen from both houses. In the meantime a policeman had been sent for and Li Wo was sent to the Central Police Station, thence to the Police Court, charged with house. breaking and theft, on which charges he was sentenced to four months hard labour.

THE Japan Herald, in a translation from Japanese journal, reports that Mr. F. H. Booth, a British visitor, who is staying at the Fojiya Hotel, Hakone(?), with his family, started on Thursday morning on a visit to the Dongo Temple, taking with him three rikishamen. After climbing Myojo-gadake, Mr. Booth tested by the roadside to take some refreshment. At he opened a bottle of ginger ale the bottle acci dentally exploded, and Mr. Booth sustained rather severe injuries to his left hand. Mr. Nicomedia, resulted in the arrest of five coolies. Booth, who fainted, was taken to Sekimoto on the back of a rikishaman and afterwards semoved to Dr. Manaka's hospital at Odawara, Chloroform was administered and a surgical operation was performed. It is expected that Mr. Booth will be able to leave the hospital a Two recalcitrant ricksha coolies, who refused. week hence.

> THE M.M. str. Yarra arrived at Shanghai on. 27th ult. from Japan and Captain H. Sellier -26th, which-developed into a tophoon when the vessel was 200 miles from the Saddle Islands, When near the Socotra Rock the full force of the typhoon was encountered and the barometer reading was 731. At one time the glass went down there milimetres one hour. At 6 p.m. the vessel was in the middle of the storm which continued with unabated fury until 9 p.m. when it began moderate. The typhoon first came from the N. N. E. and at 4 p.m. it was blowing from the N. N. W. The ship behaved in a splendid manner, and was well navigated and did not THE Admiralty appounce that they have made sustain any damage. No boats were smashed or catried away and the only thing that was l'lost was a small canvas screen on the bridge deck.—Shanghai Mercury.

CAPTAIN W. M. Stewart, Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders, has been appointed Deputy Assistant-Adjutant and Quartermaster-General on the staff of Major-General R. G. Broadwood, C.B., commanding the troops in South China. in succession to Major R. J. Ross, Middlesek Regiment. Captain Stewart entered the Army in 1895, and after a couple of months in the West Riding Regiment, transferred to the Queen's Own Camerons, in which he got his company in June, 1907. He was with the Camerous up the Nile in 1898, and was engaged at the battle of Atbara (Egyptian medal with clasp and British medal), and also in the South African War, 'in the course of which he was wounded. He shared in the operations in the Orange-Free State, the actions of Vet River and Zand River, operations in the Transvaal, the actions of Johannesburg and Pretoria and numerous minor affairs in Orange River Colony and Cape Colony (mentioned in des-Patches, Queen's medal with six clasps).

Giving some further particulars received by mail of the death of Mrs. Vaughan Smith. Editor of the Peking and Tientein Times and

A COOLIE strolled into Murray Barracks last Spuday afternoon and quietly appropriated an Indian syco's boots. He will regret his action for three weeks in gaol.

ENGINEER-Lieutenant H. O. Andrews, who

joins the cruiser Monmouth, has been in the engine room department for fourteen years, and served previously in Chinese water.

NIVETEEN prisoners, who were lying in gao! at thoul awaiting trial, made another attempt to break out of their prison on 24th ulto. Two of the prisoners were shot and one was injured.

THE Chinese Engineering and Mining Co Ld., announces that the total output of the Company's three mines for the week ending August 14 amounted to 22,360,60 tons and the sales during the period to 19,010 tons.

LAST Monday being the occasion of Her Maiesty Oucen. Wilhelminn's birthday, a reception was held at the Hongkong Hotel by the Netherlands Consul. Among those who left cards were the A. D. C.'s to H. E. the Governor, H. E. Major-General Broadwood, C. B., Rear-Admiral Stokes, the consular body and a large number of private acquaintances and compatriots.

THE Peking Government is negotiating with the British and Chinese Corporation about the conclusion of a new loan for the redemption of the Peking-Hankow Railway from the Belgian Syndicate. Owing to lack of funds to carry cut certain reforms, the Fuk en provincial Communications

THE Jiva Taushin reports that Marquis Katsura expounded his views in the Cabinet Council on-August 18th, as to the postponement of prearranged works, the curtailment of administrative expenses and the abandonment of new enterprises, except such as are made imperative by the law. His colleagues are said to have consented to this policy for the strengthening of the financial basis."

FOR being in possession of seven catties of sugar, a Chinese coolie suffired punishment at the hands of the Magistrate last Monday. Behad Soon after daybreak last Tuesday morning the the sugar concealed rather ingeniously up his inmates of 59, Connaught Road Central, cap- sleeve, but a policeman, suspecting that there

> nunications at \$180 per share; so the majority of the shareholders have yielded to the pressure of the Ministry after all. After the end of the seventh moon (August 26) only \$170 will be paid for a share. After all the shares in the Company have been acquired, the Ministry will reorganize the service, which badly needs everhauling and colargement.

THE Hankow-Daily News of 25th ult. says:-It is with regret that we have to record the death of yet another victim to the cholera scourge At to a.m. on Wednesday Sister of Charity Magdalena Poper, a German subject, and teacher in the Roman Catholic school was removed to the Hospital suffering from acute cholers, and, despite the best of attention. succumbed to the disease at a late hour the same night. The funeral took place in the Convent grounds at 5 p.m. yesterday. The deceased who had been in Hankow for six years had laboured in the cause of charity all that period and was much respected and beloved by her colleagues.

to accept hire when called on to do so by an army man and a lady, appeared at the Police Court last Monday morning to answer for their conduct. It was alleged that the coolies in quesreports meeting bad weather at 9 a.m. on the tion, when hailed by Private Shepherd, of the RAMC in Pongkong, on Sunday morning. and by Mrs. M. Mason, of g. Humphreys Avenue. Kowloop, declined to respond to their advances. Both pullers were found guilty, after evidence had been taken, and each was sentenced to pay a fine of \$5. The action of the lady and the Army man in taking the trouble. to bring the matter to Court, at what must have been considerable personal inconvenience is worthy of high commendation.

> the following appointments: -Sub-Lieutenauts. H. R. James, to the Cr scent, 28th July, and to the Cliv. on recommissioning, undated; F. Lucas, to the Crescent, 28th August, and to the .Cadnus, onirecommissioning, undated. Chaplain .- The Rev. A. R. W. Feck, M.A., to the Charybdin, 24th July, and to the Astrais, on recommissioning, undated. Stuff Surgeons .-J. A. Forrest, M.B., to the Charybath, and to the Astraz, on recommissioning, to date 28 h July; S. Conner, M.B. to the Crescent, for the Alastity on recommissioning. Surgeon.-J. Verdon, to the Astraa, H. M. Laugdale, to the Codmus. and F. J. Gowans, M.B., to the Olio, all additional, to date 28th / ugust, and on te commissioning, undated. The appointment. of Engineer Licutement H. O. Andrews to the Monmouth has been cancelled.

#### The Ships Passed Capa'.

28th July-Brasilia, Crewhall, Prometheus,

Pulermo, Hakuta Maru, Memnon, Derflinger,

Kleist. 31st July-Benlomond, Ningchow, Nore, Polynesien, Maria Richmers, Teucer, 4th August ... Atles Craig, Pring Ettel Friedeich, Glensarn, Kintuck, Benvenue, Namur, Oceano. 7th August-Goeben, Brisgavia, Calchas, Ernest Simons, Hillas, Kalsow, Kenne. bet, Kamakura Maru, Tydeus, Ouessant: 11th August - Austria, Monmouthshire, Muncaster. Wakasa Marui 14th August-Inverclyde, Pera, Silesia, (Gor.) 18th August -Bendoran, Bombay Marn, Caledonien, Pathan, Luisow. 21st August-Alcinous, Hitacht Maru, Villa de la Cipi st, Liberia, Moyane, Prinz Ludwig. 25th August-Meinam, Socotra, Dortmund, Sado Maru. 28th August-Glenavon, Sardi. nia, Sumatra, Tourans, 1st Soptember-Artyanax. Agamemnon, Benalder, Indrasamha, Teenkal, Ching Wo. Siam, Soyo Maru. Arrivals at Home-28th July-Prins Heinrick, Danbighshire, Tonkin. 29th July-Pobna: 31st July-Canton, Stentor. 4th August-Ceylow, Kleist, China, (Aus. Den of Atrile, Rhein, Scandia, Stihonia, Hakata Maru, Setovia. Candla. 7th August-Dlomed, Po'ynesien. 10th August-Palermo. 11th August-Alcides. 14th August-Calchas, Kintuch, Salsuma. 18th August - Ghazes, Gleneurn, Goeben, Memnon, Wakasa Marn, Namur. 25th August-Cale

WEATHER-FOREOAST AND STORM-WARNINGS ISSUED PROM THE HONGKONG OBSERVATORY.

METEOROLOGICAL SIGNALS.

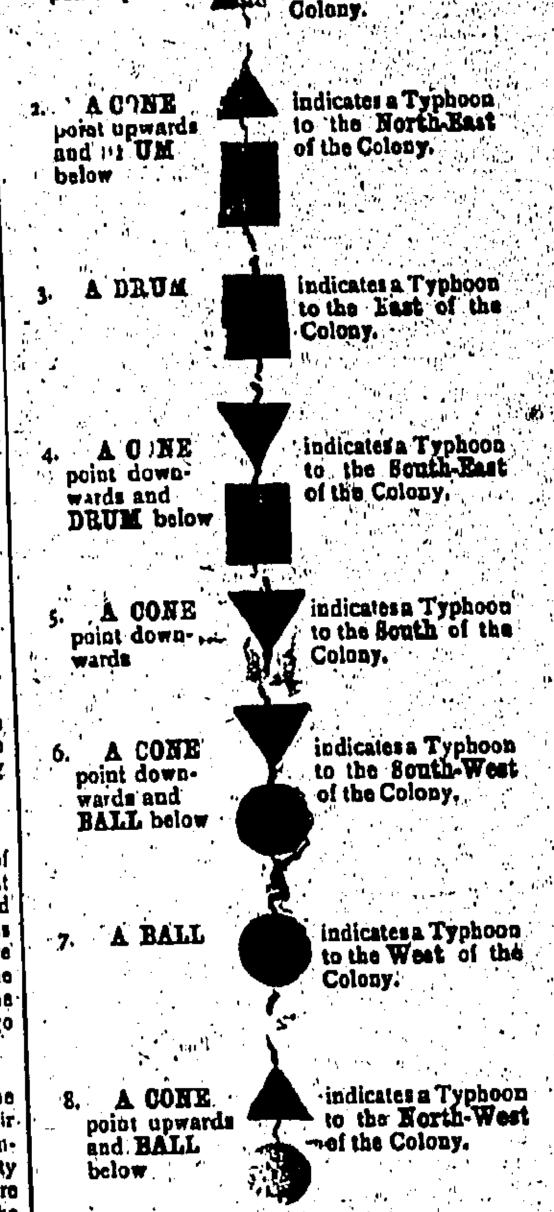
Meteorological signals are hoisted on the mast in front of the Water Police Station at Tsim Sha Tsui for the information of masters of vessels leaving the port. They do not necessarily imply that bad weather is expected

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-Red Stenals indicate that the centre i believed to be more than 300 miles away imni the Colony.

Black Signal, indicate that the centre is believed to be less than 300 miles away from the Colony.

The above signals will, as heretofore, be hoisted only when typhoons exist in such positions or are moving in such directions that information regarding them is considered to be of importance to the Colony or to, shipping leaving the harbour.

These signals are repeated at the Harbour Office, H.M.S. Tamar, Green, Island Signal Mast, and the Flagstaff on the premises of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company at Kowloon.

URGENT SIGNAL . In addition to the above, when it is expected that the wind may increase to full typhoen force at any moment, the following Urgent Signal will be made at the Water Police Station, and repeated at the Harbour Office :-

OF TEN SECONDS.

THREE EXPLOSIVE BOMBS, AT INTERVALS

A Black Cross will be hoisted at the sam time, superior to the other shapes.

The following Night Signals will be exhibited from the Flagstaff on the roof of the Water Police Station at Kowloon, the Harbour Office. Flagstaff, and H.M.S. Tamar.

I. Three Lights Vertical, Green Green, indicates that a typhoon is believed to be situated more than 300 miles from the Colony.

11. Three Lights Vertical, Green Red Green indicates that a typhoon is believed to be situated less than 300 miles from the Colomy.

III. Three Lights Vertical, Red Green Red, indicates that the wind may be expected to increase to full typhoon force at any moment, No. 111: Signal will be accompanied by the

Explosive Bombs, as above, in the event of the information conveyed by this signal being fit published by night.

These Night Signals will be substituted the Day Signals at sunset, and will, wh necessary, be altered during the night.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY WARNINGS.

For the benefit of Native Craft and pass Ocean Vessels, a Cone will be exhibited each of the following stations during the tid that any of the above Day Signals are how in the Harbour.

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Further details can always be given Vessels, on demand, by signal, from

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Mutton Chop-Young Pai Kwat	-Mango, Saigon-Sai-Kung-Moong	longkong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., 1	1,000	<u>\$15</u>	<b>515</b> :	\$587,50c ( \$81,766 (	17.755	Sig of first half year ending 20.6.08	81 %	Sa7 buyers
Leg-Young Pei n 22	Mangosteens, San Chuk Tsz per 100 \$2.00 Oranges, Tim Chang	ndo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ld. (Preferred)}	40,000			\$17.655 \ \( \frac{1}{2} \text{10,000} \)		[6]- for 1907 on Preference shares only @		(435
Pigs' Chitlings—Chi cheong	Small—Tai Kutcatty —	Do't do' (Deserred)	00,000	45	4.5	{54 .000}		( ex 1/9 11/10=≥33. 154		\$35 \$20
Braint Chi Knowper set 2	Olives—Pak Lam	thanghal Tug and Lighter Company, Limited (Preference	200,000 100,000	Tla. 50	Tia. 50	1'ls, 75,000	Tls. 4510 £65,817	Interim of Tis. 12 for account 1908  [Final of E/- (No. 10) making 3/- for 1907.	11 7 %	{ Tis. 47 sellers   Yes, 51 buyers
" Feet—Chi Keek	Passion Fruit each -	Shell" Transport and Trading Company, I make 1		510	ی ا 510	305,000	\$98	and interim of I/- (No. 11) for a/c 1938	}  <b>0</b> %	44/- \$25
" Fry-Chi Chak	(Canton), Cooking—Sa Li , 8	Star " Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	610	\$5	f47,221 } Fig. 140,000	141	{\$1.00 } for your ending ,0.4.1908	"	\$15
Heart-Chi Sumeach 10	Peanuts,—Fa Sang	Carles opening a Sutran Common timited	,ono	Th. co	TI 50	Tis, 50 1255	Tls. 6,869	Final of Tis. 23 making Tis. 5 for 1907;	11 2	Tis. 45 buyers
Liver—Chi Kon	Persimmons, Large,—Hung Chie 8	aku Tug and Lighter Company, Limited				Tis, 1 6,000 Tis, 17,142				H H
Pork, Chop-Chi Pai Kwat	Pine-apples, 1st quality—Sheung Poon Ti Paw-laweach 9	REFINERIES. bina Sugar Refining Company, Limited	.100	100	100	\$32,538 1,4000 \$66.848	Dr. \$279,271	38 for year ending 31.12.05		Stac
"Corned—Ham Chu Yuk	, 2nd cooking—Chung-tang 5 Paw-law	Timited	.000	100	\$100	1000	Dr. \$135 132	14 % 1897		\$22
Fat or Lard—Chu Yau	Platains—Tai Chiu	Perak' Sugar Unitivation Company, Limited	1,000	1 50	1'16. 50	* t.32'03 <b>0</b>	Tls. 9,273	Tit. (8 %) for your ending 31.8.06	**	Tis. 93} sellers
Sheep's Hoad and Feet-Yeung Tau	Plums, Swatow—Hung Laieach - 14	MINING.		` `		ا محب و در	•			
Keok	Walnuts, Hop Tou	Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, I d	50,000 \	41	LI	Lrt, 89 f	711,556	Interim of 1/0 (No. 10) for account 1908	7 <del>1</del> %	Tis. 16 buyers
Kidneys—Young Yiu 10	Shanghai Lo Kwat	anb Australian Gold Mining Company, Limited	6,000	Ži	41	£4.75	Di: £2,191	Na 17 01 1/-=48 CD15	100	571
Liver-Young Con 22		DOCKS, WHARVES & GODOWNS.								
Sucking Pigs, To Order—Chu Chal, 22 Sust Beef—Sang Ngau Yau		Fenwick (Geo.) & Co., Limited	18,000	\$.5	8 5	\$53,601	\$3,726	\$1.75 to year anding 31.12.00		Sig
Mutton-Sang Young Yau , 34	VEGETABLES, &C.		"	, 1 1 		6,000 )				
Aggreent Pro C nat   resetting the control of the c	Chi Chauk	Tongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ld.,	_	50	<b>S</b> . •	\$40,000 }	13,556	Final of \$1\$ making \$3\$ for 1007	7ŧ.X	\$45 buyers
Sausages-Ngau Chai Yuk Tong, 20	Beans, (Erench) Macao-Oh Moon Pin	ongkong and Whampon Dock Company, Ld	. 401 <b>000</b>	<b>\$</b> 0	\$ 0	\$20,000		Interim of \$4 for account 1909	8 %	Sico
	Beans, (French), Shanghai—Sheung Hoi	hanghal Dock and Engineering Co., Ld.	1	1 1 100	roc	697,157	Tis: 33.742	year ending 30.4.08	3 0 7	Tis. 85 sellers.
POULTRY.	-Pin Tau	hanghal and Hongkow Whari Company, Limited	J <b>6,500</b>	) s. 100	100		Tis. :2,626	Interim of Cis. 4 for account 1908	to %	Tis. 167% buyers
Chicken—Kai Chai	Beans, Long-Tnu Kok 8					i i				
Ducks-Ap	Beet Root-Hung Choi Taueach 2 Brinjals, Green-Cheng Yuen Ker 6	LANDS, HOTKLE & BUILDINGS	4,000	Ti., 100	P.s. 100	5, 2,,000	Tis, 6,53x	Tis. 6'for 1907	6 X	Tis. zor sales
Doves-Pan Kaueach 18	Brinjals, Red—Hung Ker	entral Stores, Limited	\$0,113	\$15 \$15	215	33,000	Dr. \$4,200 \$9,178	\$23 for year ending 30.6.07	444	Si7 sellers Si2 sellers
Eggs, Hen-Kal-Tanper doz. 24 Fowls, Canton-Kai	Bamboo Shoots-Chook Shun 3	longkong Hotel Company, Limber	15'Oxio	150	350	7,000	\$252	Final of F31 making \$71 for 1907		1
Hajnan-Hol Nam Kal 26	Cabbage, Chinese, com.—Kai Choy 4 Cabbage, Red—Kai Lan Taueach —	ongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ld umphreys Estate & Finance Company, Limited	150,000	516	100	1217.104	\$36,915 \$4,621	Interim of \$3% for account 1908	'	- \$94
Geese-Ngo	Cabbage, (Shanghai)—Yeh Choi , 20 Cane Shoots, bunch—Kau Shun , —	owloon Land and Building Company, Limited		Sço	130	152, 21)	5658	51를 for 1907	1	Sto sellers
Ngo	Cauliflower, Large size—Tai Yeh Choi	anghal Land Investment Company, Limited	78,00	Tla: 40	· <. 50	{Tls. 1,523,045}	Tis. 107,547	Interim of Tis. ; for account 1908	7 %	Tie, 116} buyers
Musk Deer-Wong Kengeach	Cauliflower, Medium size—Cheung Yeh	est Point Building Company, Limited	2,500	150	3 :	iu <b>at</b> n	\$1,54z	Interim of \$2 for account 1908	9 X	\$46
Hare—Tu Chal	Cauliflower, Small size—Sai Yeh Choi-fa —	COTTON MILLE				f Th. (tn,ono]				
Phospant-Shan Kaipair	Carrots—Kam Shun 8	ongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing	1 . 5,000 i	Tis. 50	\$ 0	716, 41,0,93 \$62,000	tin, 8,807 - €14,269	So-cents for your ending 31.7.07		Tie, or sales
Pigeons, Canton—Pak-Kup	Colory, Chineso-Tong Kan Choy 6 Colory, English-Yeung Kan Choi	ternational Cotton Manufacturing Company, Ld	<u> </u>	-	1 la. 25	3, 15,300	Tis. 85,529	Tis. 6 for year ended 30.9.06 (8 %)		
Quall-Um-Caua	Celery, White-Pak Yeung Kan Choi Chillies, Dried-Con Lat Chiu	.on-kangemow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ld.	1.000	Pis. 100	Tis: 10	none	Tls, 6,303	715: U 'AT 1908 917: 10 101000000000000000000000000000000		Tis, 65 sellers Tis, 85 sellers
Rice Birds-Wo Fa Cheukdozen	Red-Hung Fa , 8	MISCRLLAMEOUS.		1116. 300	Tis. co.	7 - 25.157	Tis, to,063	112, 50 lar 1906 array commencements	***	Tis. 242 fisellers
Snipe—Sa Chul	Green-Cheng Lat Chiu 8 Curry Stuff, English-Ka Lee Choi Liu 8	ell's Ashestos Eastern Agency, Limited	K,604	2/6	2/6	/ 1500	£148	10) per share 'or 19 7=\$1.037	194 X	Cultostan
. , Hen— , , Na n 40	Cucumbers—Cheng Kwa 6 Bitter Squash—Fu Kwa 12	hina Borneo Company, Limited	50,000	sii . Stol	ia ftol	125,000	NiL	10 24.30 108 1207 (comparison consequence conseq	1919 - 118 3-	\$71 sales \$101
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Wild Ducks Canton—Sang Shing Sui	Ginger, young—Sun Tez Keung 5 ,, old—Lo Keung 5	alry Farm Company, Limited	4 · ^	574	\$6.	\$60,000 (15), 100		4_41	•	Coo Cookers
Apper pair —	Horse Radish, Shanghai—Lik Kan b. 15 Indian Corn—Suk Maipiece	H. Price & Company, Limited	400.000	10	****	\$5 00	5 078 \$251	Interim of 40 cents for account 1908	• • •	Sto ex div.
	Lettuce-Yeung Sang Choieach 2	fall & Heltz, Limited		\$25		18,38	8,9,7	75 cents for 9 months ending 31.12.07 \$2 for year ending 28.4.8	10 %	512 buyers
FISH.	Water Chesnuts—Ma Tai	longkong Electric Company, Limited		\$10	-110	ine	9,321	TI and bonus 20 cts. for year ending 20:	.08 7 <del>1</del> %	5:6) buyers
BarbelKa Yu	Musk Melon Sang Cho Kho 50	Hongkong Ica Company, Limited	D3,000	\$10	\$10	120,000	\$4,578 18,191	Interim of \$4 for account 1908	83 % 84 %	\$231 \$24 sales
Bream—Bin Yu 19 Canton Fresh Water Fish—Hoi Sin Yu 19	Onlone, Bombay-Young Chung Tau 6	Instschappij tot Mijn., Bosch. en Landbersen.  ploitatie in Langkat, Limited  Peak Tramways Company, Limited	25,000	Gs. 100		T = 37,503,	Fb. 17,127	Interim of Tis, to for and quarter	52 %	Tie. 592 buyers
Carp—Li Yu	Shal-Sheung Hol Chung Tau	Peak Tramways Company (new)	··] · 50,000	110	\$10 \$1		\$7,471	SI paid shares for year ending 30.4.08.	\$ 4 %	1 52 1 52
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Cuttle Fish—Muk Yu	Parsley, English—Young Un Sai \$2.00			0.00		Tis. 24,820 Tis: 75,000	}		in the	of the fallent party of the first
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Pog Fish—Tit Tu Sa	Potatoes, Sweet—Fan Shu	touth China Morning Post, Limited	6,000		\$25	2026	Dr. \$90,23/	NORS	JE 904	523 buyers
Fresh water—Tam Sul Yu	5 Japan—Yat Poon Shu Tsai	-Cientsin Waterworks Company, Limited			TIA 100	77		Tis, 64 for year ending 31.5.07		71s. 200
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enk Fish-Mon Yu	28 Taros—Wu Tau	4						Langkala	Tis. 10	September 25th
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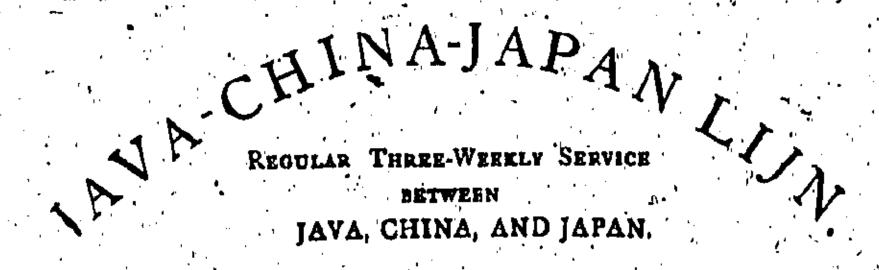
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CHITS. AND ALL ABOUT THEM.

This subject is one of the greatest importance to the wise (or otherwise) young men who come to the East, and as such should be treated with due dignity and respect. If the subject were dealt with in book form, as it deserves to be, it should have, in the first place, a magnificent title-page, bearing a title both extensive and comprehensive, something after this style :-CHITS:

What they are, and Why. A description of their use and abuse in the wilds of the Far East; With special réference to Clubs and other institutions

in Singapore: Being a Complete Guide as to How to Avoid, also How to Reach, the Bankruptcy , Court

(By One Who Knows). "That just about shows what ground we have

When we come to grips with the question we are faced immediately with this question, Who invented monthly pay-days?

Preserving a perfectly impartial mind, we should then ask: Ought he to have a statue erected to his memory, or ought he to be treated h la Guy Fawkes? The answer will vary according to whether the individual is one who receives chits, or one who signs them. There will no doubt be many possessed of an ever-growing banking account who will rise up and say "Blessed be the inventor of chits!" And there will be others who but buff said. as the poet puts it. . .

Cap it be that the late lamented Sir Stamford Raffles invented Singapore and chits at the same time? It may be so. The fact may have escaped the notice of his biographers. Imagine the soul of Sir Stamford entering for a space, some supply evening, into the bronze statue on the Plain. With folded arms he stands proudly surveying the result of his handiwork, and soliloquises thus: "Here we are. This is Singapore. This is what comes of being enterprising. Look at al that shipping, spread out miles in length. Look at this esplanade. See these young men playing cricket (nearly all of them bankrupt). Look at those fine buildings. See what the commerce of Singapore is . . . . and all built

up on chits !" But it cannot have been Sir S. He's got his statue, sure and safe. People only get statues. erected to their memory when everybody agrees that they deserve them, and if there had been any thought that he invented chits-and monthly pay-days-there would have been a difference of opinion-as to the statue idea. So it couldn't have been him. "

Anyway, there we are. We have got the system, and we have got to make the worst of it—at least, that is what most of us do.

What is a chit? .In plain and simple language, a chit is an ingenious and pleasantlooking contrivance for causing you to buy, absolutely against your will, a lot of things (chiefly in liquid form) that you have very little use for, that are not good for you and that you have really very little hope of ever being able to pay for.

Do you know the story of the Hebrew gentleman, who like most of all his co-religionists, was a genius at business? Speaking to one who was not of his persuasion he remarked: What astonishes me is where you Christians get all the money that we get from you!"

There is a world of truth in it; and somehow one is led to think that chits were-but no. There is no need to stir up racial animosities over the question of who invented chits, though it is quite likely that the real and original culprit was proud of his achievement.

The chit evil is deep-reated, deep-rooted. Whether or not it was first established in the East-for it may not have been-it is very certain that the disease has spread far and wide. In point of fact, the moment you step on board the P. and O. boat at Tilbury you enter Chitland. Drinks and smokes and a lot of other things can be had through the simple medium of a little printed card, with blanks on which to sign your name and cabin number.

Then there comes the end of the week-not month, in this instance—and you are presented. with a neat bundle held together with an elastic band. On the back of the last one is an awful legend in blue-the total of your indebt eduess.

When you get over the initial shock you go on, just as bad as ever. The result is that when the boat dumps you at Teluk Blanga you are a confirmed chit-signer, and Singapore is ready to receive you with open arms. Which

The disease of chit-signing is rarely found to be curable. There have been cases where strong men have tried to struggle with the fatal? habit, only to fail. There have been instances where men have, in desperation, fled from these shores to the place from whence they came, where chits are not known; but the deadly desire has seized them again, and they have hastened back, slaves to chit-itis. The sight of a chit pad lying on a hotel table has been known to throw such people into a state of frenzy. They have wept tears of joy on beholding the welcome sight once more, after an absence of years. There are only two things, to be done with

the chit system. Rither it should be abolished -which is, of course, impossible-or it should be extended to all branches of commerce. Why not pay for rikishs rides by chits? Why not give tips in chits? Why not give chits over the counter when you buy stamps?

Do you remember the case of the lady whose banking account was overdrawn? What did she do?-Calmly wrote out a cheque for the amount! Now, chits might be used something after this fashion. Why not start a banking account with chits? How splendid it would be to go into a local bank and reaching for the chit pad remark to the clerk, " I want to open an account here. Stick that down to my rame. .... "(handlog him a chit with " I O; U; Stopoo" written on II)

That would be something like. When one had drawn cath for the total amount one could write out another chit. The

thing is simplicity itself l The old established chit-signer in Singapore; that is to say, the old resident, gets a great deal of fun out of watching the flounderings of the new arrival who endeavours to suit himself to the ways of the place. This for might be added. to greatly if, say, once a year a special kind of tournament or competition were held. Only newcomers should be allowed to enter and the object should be to see who could run up the largest number of bills, or the largest bills, in the shortest space of time. This would provide a fine test, for the abilities of the chit-signer new to the game.

As to winning the prize I am afraid that I, at any rate, shouldn't stand an " earthly." C.V. H. in Singapore Free Press,

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Ayrton, in discussing the future of wireless telephony, said: "The day will come when c pper wires, gutta-ne cha covers, and iron binds are only to be found in museums; when a person who wishes to speak to a friend, but dues not know where he is, will call with an electrical voice, which will be heard only by him who has a similarly tuned electrical ear. e will cry, 'Where are you?' and the answer will found in his ear, I am in the depth of a mine, on the summit of the Andes; or on the broad ocean. Or perhaps no voice will reply

That the wireless telephone is, alrea y in a state suitable for application to commercial work may be gathered from the success of the experiments carried out a few days, ago on Birnes Common, when Dr. Manders' and Mr. Sharman spoke distinctly and with the utmost facility over a distance of a third of a mile. Their system is based like all modern-systemson the use of continuous electrical oscillations, and they employ a new and simplified form of arc lamp.

and he will know that his friend is dead."

ITS SPECIAL USEFULNESS.

The Zenal system, as it is termed, is not so complicated; but it could be utilised in large factory, warehouse, or business house for purposes of speaking between different buildings while for harbour work in shipping or military purposes its application could be immensely serviceable.

An interesting point in connection with these and similar wireless telephone installations is that, elthough the receiver must be "tuned" to catch the sounds transmitted, it frequently intercepts wireless telegraphic messages in perfectly guileless manner. The tappings of the florse code are, in fact, au lible through the effect of the electrical waves on the tolephone cohearer; telephonic reception of wireless felegraphic messiges has indeed been very largely rused in recent times, as it is easier to catch the sounds which represent "dots and dashes" than to record the latter in the original way.

The wireless telephone sectiver, if provided with sufficient regulating arrangement for tuning, could thus be put to a double purpose, which might prove very useful in time of war.

Herr Wirth has just demonstrated at Nuernberg how one could, by-his remarkable invention, accomplish the steering, of dirigible balloons by wireless means. It is equally within the bounds of possibility to equip military airships, with wireless telephones; day by day the weight of the apparatus—that vital factor—is being diminished, and who can tell how soon it will be made sufficiently light to render possible telephonic communication with those who navigate the sky?

TESTS BETWEEN BATTLESHIPS.

One great value of wireless telephony lies the lact that an inexperienced man can talk by telephone, while a trained operator is required for any form of telegraphic work. Only recently twenty-eight sets of wireless tele. phone apparatus were or 'ered by the United Haies Government, and tests were carried out between the bulleships Connecticut and Vir ginin, the distances varying between ten and twenty-five miles. Every word spoken was distinctly satisfactory. The enterprise of the Unite | States Government was thus as success. ful as it was legitimate,

One of the most up to date wireless stations is at the Technical-High-School-of-Charlottenburg, and experiments were recently carried out there with a portable military station fixed thirty kilometres away \_ Masts were used- in each station about six y feet in "leight, and the transmission of speech was so perfect that it wis hipt even necessary to hold the receiverclose to the ear.

Practically the whole of the recent advance made has been founded, on the discovery of a method of producing very rapid electrical oscillations. The electric arc lamp is employed for the purpose, and it is interesting to note with what extraordinary properties this modern In Bags of 250 Ds. net \$8.45 per Bag illuminant is endowed. Simon discovered that by having a microphone attached in a special way to the dynamo which generates the electricity for running an arc lamp it is possible to make the lamp, while burning, repeat every. word or sound spoken into the telephone. An actual "arc lamp concert" was given at Frankfort, at which the arc was made to speak and sing almost like a human being.

It was due to Duddell, three years later, however, that the present system was inaugurated, for he discovered that the arc lamp could be employed to transform an ordinary electric, current into one which supplied electrical oscillations of many thousand per second, such as were essential to the successful wireless transmission of speech. Poulsen, the Danish physicist, made pytraordingry progress with the system, and by making the arc burn in an atmosphere of hydrogen, and using specially cooled elements be found it possible to generate, a current of electricity sending off waves half a million to the second.

THE SCIENTIFIC EXPLANATION: 1

The simplest explanation of the method of transmitting speech is as follows :- These exceedingly rapid waves are generated at the sending station, and the sound waves formed in speaking are utilised so to modify them that they carry the sound impression with them. The waves are sent off by means of an aerial, or mast, and thus speech is transmitted in the form of electrical waves to anyone, who is waiting to receive it. The receiving station is fitted with an acrial, which collects the 1 148 mayes, and these are made to actuate the

extricce of a telephone: Both sending and receiving station can be "turned," in the manner already adopted in wireless telegraphy, so that only the person to whom the massage is addressed can receive it. This is, of course, a matter of vital impurtance, in warfare, and at present the most likely applications of speech without /wires will be to naval

and army work and shipping.

Asked as to the likelihood of wireless telephony being adopted by the Post Office, a prominent official ield me that it was sure to be used at some future time for special work, though for the ordinary telephonic business it could never replace the present system, in which Iwo wires are used, insulated from one another. But more than one partable wireless telephone is on the eve of introduction, which will prove invaluable in fictories, hospitals, and large business houses where speech can be transmitted with the utmos readiness over a distance of five hundred yards or more, "Even in this compact little apparatus the speaker has the power to tune his electrical voice for any particut a pers n. so that while everyone is ready to sective a wirele's order from the "head," the latter individual will just speak with whom he

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On August 30, 1908, at Shanghai, the wife of J. P. ROCHE, of a daughter. On August 31, 1908, at Shanghai, to Mr. and-Mrs. J. T. WYNYARD BROOKE, a daughter:

"DEATHS, At the Government Civil Hospital, on the 3rd inst., CARL LESLIE HACK, late of the China Imperial Maritime Customs, aged .31 years. Funeral will pass the Monument at 9 o'clock to morrow morning. Friends are respectfully invited to attend. At the Government Civil Hospital, on the

3rd inst., Police Constable WILLIAM TAYLOR, third son of James Taylor, farmer, East Thuederton, Peterhead, Aberdeenshire, N.B., aged 24 years. Deeply regretted. On August 29, 1908, at Shanghai, LAURA WINNIFRED CLARK, aged I year and 9 months.

Beloved daughter of James and Ida Clark, I. M. Customs. On August 30, 1908, at Shanghai, Captain DANIEL A. MACDONNELL, Pilot, aged 48

The Hongkong Gelegraph

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 1908.

THE MATERIAL PROGRESS OF CHINA.

pushed forward with all speed now that His Ex-In an interesting article which appears in a Northern contemporary reference is made to cellency Chang Chih-tung has been appointed the progress of Chins, particularly in the chief organiser of the undertaking. In the adoption and development of Western ideas. not merely in one direction but all round. It is only a few years ago since the. Chinese retention of things which should be abandoned on the ground that it is our old national custom. Army was little better than a rabble of undisciplined recruits, who could barely be depended upon in serious crises. Viceroy Yaza Shih. justified because it is the custom of foreign kai changed it absolutely into the semblance countries. Neither of these excuses can be at least of a fighting factor when he reorganised | considered justifiable. Both new and old the Northern Army and gave it a status even | should be subjected to the searching inquiry as In the eyes, of the foreign military attaches to whether it accords with a fixed governmental whom he invited to view the manogueres. In policy which has been carefully planned. The South China, that example was by no means | most present of all tasks before the Central Prancisco this alternoon,-W. C. D. Meye,

lost and it is matter of general knowledge that Government at the present time is the formthe two Kwang Provinces have a serviceable ulating of this general plan in which old body of troops to carry into effect the will of the and new can assume their proper positions." authorities. With regard to the Navy, of which | While that is correct to a certain extent it par-Admiral Li Chuo is the Commander-in-Chief in these waters, evidences are not wanting that there is a real and urgent desire to see it reconstituted, so that it may be something more than a mere name. The visit of Admiral Sir Arthur Moore to the Viceroy of Cauton last year undoubtedly had a stimulating effect in opening the authorities' vision to the necessity of having an effective naval arm if the West River was to be adequately policed. And the fact that the local. Dock Company was entrusted with the work of constructing patrol gunboals may be taken as proof that Cauton, at all events, is sincere in her desire to perform those duties for the protection of the lives and property of her subjects as well as of foreigners, which properly fall within her province. Even if it were not that the cause of humanity demanded the rigid patrolling of the Southern Waterways, it was essectial in the interests of her own amour prepre that steps should be taken to reduce the frequent and sanguinary piracies which occurred, unless she was content to see the important rivers patrolled by foreign mentof war. Whether the object of the Provincial Government will be attained remains to be seen, although recent reports regarding the work of pirates on the West River are far from satisfactory. Continuing its enumeration of several of the chief

features which mark the advance in Chinese

official opinion; our contemporary remarks that

promoting all kinds of schools among the

people. The Board of Commerce has made a

beginning in investigating the trade conditions

throughout the country and in promoting in-

dustrial undertakings. The Board of Revenue

has been taking recent steps to organize a new

uniform system of currency, and to bring

the expenditure of the Provinces under

a common system. The Board of Posts and

Communications is continuing to carry out

the policy of railway and telegraph extension,

The Customs Bureau has started a school for

the training of men for this branch of service.

and it has also greatly extended the postal

Leilities. Viceroys and Governors throughout

the Empire have all undertaken new enter-

prises looking towards reform. There is not a

single branch of the Government service into

which change and reform have not been in-

cording writer asks: "Why then does progress

lag, and why is there such a pessimistic feeling

China?" The reason alleged is that no fixed.

his been adopted, but no definite purpose

governmental system of China to the change

conditions of modern life. What is need-

ed, we are told, is the decision to adopt

a programme for uniform and steady read-

justment of the whole system of govern-

would ensure the harmonious working of each

new project with what has gone before; as well

as with what is to follow. There need be no

breaking with the valuable methods of the

past; neither should there be any retaining of

old customs simply because they are old. New

and old must be brought together to work

under a uniform system towards a well defined

result, .. There is much truth in these remarks;

but the writer would seem to have formed the

idea that the great Empire of China can be

regenerated in a day. When we regard the

progress that has been achieved even within'

the last five years and observe the new

national spirit which has sprung up and

animates the people, the fact has to be

admitted that Ching as a whole has marvel-

lously advanced, particularly in the Southern

Provinces, where the people are far more keen-

witted and self-reliant than their neighbours in

the North. It is easy to make comparison

with Japan as to the rate of progress but Japan

took her half-century to develop while China

is only at the beginning of her modern history.

By strenuous efforts China is covering her vast

territory with a network of railways which are

proceeding with the work of building the line

between Canton and Hankow, but there seems

to be reason to believe that operations will be

article to which we have referred it is said that

"At present, many excuses are offered for the

When anything new is mooted, it is often

ment-executive, legislative and judicial. This

among so many of the leading men"

the Board of Education has been active i

takes of the nature of a half-truib. It cannot be gainsaid for a single moment that Chica, and baturally we-refer to the South in particular, is fast discarding old ideas and assimilating the commercial wisdom of the West. The people themselves are now capable of combination, and powerful combination, to achieve a certain purpose, and there is less internecine strile than ever before. That in itself is an evidence of the advanced views held by the intelligent section of the Chinese, and it is through their actions and following the principles enunciated by them that the mass of the. people will be influenced and guided. If Rome was not built in a day how can it be expected that China can emerge from her shell in decade, unless the accompaniment of a social cataclysm was contemplated? LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE French Mail of the 4th August was delivered in London on the 3rd inst...

A DISPATCH from Peking reports that the new Russian Minister was expected to arrive there on the 30th ultimo.

One sergeant, Army Ordnance Corps, wifeand child, arrived to the Command for duty on and instant from Colombo per s s. Denanha.

With reference to recently current rumours the N. C. D. News understands that legal proceedings will shortly be instituted in the matter of the charges that have been publicly made against his Honour Judge Wilfley.

IT has been known to the police for some time past that the loafers of the city were in the habit of making Blake Garden their sleeping grounds, but they could do nothing, as the " night birds" were nearly always aware of their:approach and, of course, made themselves scarce. At about three o'clock this morning. Policeman Elridge, having got the "tip " paid a visit to the gardens and arrested five men, who were found fast asleep on the seats, or of the grass. The accused were each fined \$ when brought before Mr. J. B. Kemp to-day.

THE following notice to mariners has been issued at Shanghai: - Yangtze River-Confuciu Channel-alteration in buoyage:-Notice bereby given that the following changes in the tioduced. And after recording these facts the re- positions, of buoys marking the Confucius Channel have been made: -South-east Spi Buoy (gas-lighted) is now moored in 36 feet at low water of spring tides. From the Buoy, South-west Beacon bears N. 23° E., distant 3.9 miles. Acticon Buoy is now moored in 60 feet policy of introducing reforms has been ad inted of water at low water of spring tides. From the by the Central Government. As occasions Buoy, South-west Beacon bears S. 83° E., distant 5.7 miles. All bearings given are magnetic.

> In the Supreme Court, this morning, Mr. Justice the vessel will be a work of any considerable Gompertz presiding, three claims were brought against the Imperial Brewing Company, boilers are all ready to be fitted into the hull Wong-nei-chong Road. Judgment in each claim was entered for the plaintiffs. The first action was brought by Mr. A. F. Weis, the brewer, for \$400 for wages. The two other items were brought by Messrs. Lane, Crawford and Company to recover \$265.53 and by -Messra.- Mayasaki-and-Company-for-\$145, being for goods sold and delivered. Mr. E. Davidson, Messrs. Hastings and Hastings, who appeared for the Brewing Cympany, consented to judgment. He asked for a stay of execution until liquidation proceedings were begun. This was granted.

A LADY'S PREDICAMENT.

HER RICKSHA STRUCK BY A TRAM ON THE PRAYA BAST.

Mrs. Cecilia Cooper, a young woman who Best shot P. O. McGuiness 10 " resides at 2, Observation Place, related to Mr. J. H. Kemp, in the Police Court; to-day, a most | but, owing to the squally-weather and heavy painful adventure which she underwent on the Praya East yesterday. As evidence Mrs. Cooper showed a couple of bruises on her face, and Twelve 6" guns ................. 86 rounds 55 hits. several cuts about the leg. In the dock were Best shot P. O. Pike ...... 9 " two ricksha coolies, whom Mrs. Cooper accused of being responsible for her injuries, by their both her Heavy and Light Q. F. Gun Layers negligence.

"Lengaged a ricksha in town yesterday to return home," the complainant said. "While going along the Praya East I called the coolin's attention to the fact that a tram; ar was coming Best shot, Lead, Beaman up from behind, but he paid no attention. Again I told him to move off the lines, but bound to revolutionise the face of the country, still no notice was paid, until, finally, when he bring her people into closer communication started to move he could not get away in time, and develop her natural resources. It is true owing to the presence of the second defendant's that there has been lamentable dilatoriness in ricksha, which was on the wrong side of the road." The tram struck her ricksha and overturned it, throwing her on the road, and causing her the injuries, already mentioned.

'His Worship found that there was negligence shown, and ordered each coolie to pay complainant \$15 compensation,

THE "TENYO MARU" ON FIRE.

RESULT OF HARBOUR REGULATIONS.

Tokio, August 31. As the T. K.K. S. Tenyo Mars was proceeding on her voyage outside Yokohama yesterday afternoon, an outbreak offire was discovered in her forward stoke-hold. The outbrook was the result of the Yokobama harbour regulations which forbid the discharge of oily water.

The damage done, was slight. Repairs are completed and the Tenyo Mara left for San S.S. "SORSOGON" SOLD.

PURCHASED BY A FRENCH FIRM. The s.s. Sorrogon, which, as we have stated on previous occasions, is a valuable floating asset of the flongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ld., has been sold. Negotiations for the sale and purchase of the handy-sized vessel were, of necessity, conducted with due regard to secrecy, and it was not until late yesterday afternoon that we came by sufficient reliable information to warrant our approaching representatives of the Dock Co. to speak to the authenticity of the report for publication."

For some time past inquiries from several quarters were made for the purchase of the Sorrogon; those from the Philippines being the most persistent and approximating nearest the vendors' idea of the steamer's value. She was a Philippine vessel and, is admirably adapted for the inter-island trade.

Chinese interested in the shipping trade have also cast an eye on the Sorsogon, but as they would not go beyond a certain figure they have been forestailed in her purchase by a local firm of ship-brokers acting under instructions from a French firm of ship agents. We understand that when the steamer is refitted she will be employed on the Southern coastal trade for which she is eminently suited in size, tonnage

and draft. On the occasion of our reporter's visit to the Kowloon yaids, after the typhoon, last month, he n ade reference to the s.s. Sorso, on in these terms: "Shered up against the side of the stone. pier lies the hull of the erstwhile Manila interisland trader s.s. Sorsogon, which went down of the Dock quay on the 18th September, 1906. It will be remembered that she was refloated and subsequently sold to the Dock Company which has in her a convertible asset as soon as the much looked for revival in the shipping trade becomes, an accomplished fact." The prescience of the remark did not take long to assert itself, for within a month of the publication of the paragraph we are now At the time of her foundering two years ago, the Sornogon was completing extensive repairs in Kowloon, and was ready to receive her new boilers when she was struck by the typhoon and sank in deep water under the sheer-legs. The story of the operations attending the refloating of the vessel presented many interesting features, as it will be recalled how the Admitalty, desirous of giving the Naval divers practical test in work under water, actually lent their men to assist the Dock staff in the operations. Then the dredger Coulon River .was also employed in a novel duty for a vessel of her type, for she was used by the salving party as a sort of auxiliary vessel wherefrom the divers carried out their ardyous task. When the Springen was refleated it was found that she sustained comparatively little damage. She was abandoned to the underwriters and sold by

Messrs, Jorge and Co., who were the Hongkopg agents for the Manila owners, to the Hongkong and Whampon Dock Co. for the sum of \$4,000, exclusive of the cost of the new boilers. Now that the Sorsogon has been sold work has already been taken in hand for refitting the vessel according to specifications answering to the requirements of the special trade in which she will be employed. is not expected that the overhauling time, having regard to the fact that the new

as soon as she is launched. The figure mentioned to our representative as the purchase price of the Sormgon' ready for sea should leave a fair margin of profit to the vendors. At the same time it is considerably under anything the vessel could be bought for in the home market with the present rate of silver exchange.

THE CHINA SQUADRON.

Weihaiwei, August 28. The past week has been a busy one with the Fleet, as each ship has completed her Heavy Gun Layers' Tests, and has filled up with coal in readiness for the northern cruise. The Kent carried out her H .- G .- L .- Fest an . Thursday. Her record is as follows:

Twelve 6" Guns ...... 101 rounds 63 hits. Average per gun .. . ..... 8.4 , 5:25

The Monmouth was to have fired on Friday. sea, it was postponed till Monday when she completed her H. G. L. Test as follows :-

On Tuesday H.M.S. Beltomart carried out

H. G. L. Test 4"...... 13 rounds 7 hits. Best shot P. O. Strange...... Light Q. F. 12 Pr. ..... 31 11 14

Patker ..... 9. " During the week the Royal Marines have carried out their annual contest for the Royal Marine Jewel and also Royal Marine Officers Cup (Team).

The first ten in the Jewel Competition were:-

1. Capt. Fletcher ...... H.M.S. Monmouth ... 88 g. Lieut. Knight ..... ..... Ptd. Thorno ....... 5. Maj. Garrett ..... 6. Pto. Richmond ..... 7. " Harmsworth ... ... 

Royal Marine Officers Cup (Team.) Winners of Cup H.M.S. King Alfred 65 points Winner of \$12 ... H.M.S. Bedford ~...55

10. Sgt, Lamberton ... ,, King Alfred ... 79

(H.M.S. Monmouth) \$8 \ H.M.B. Bedford (2nd team)" (H.M.S.King Alfred)

(and team) 53 The Alacrity, flying the flig of the Commander-in-Chief, returned from a shooting-trip to Shanbalkuan on Thursday evening .- N. C.

MUTION FOR JODGMBNT.

INTERESTING ARGUNENT IN COURT.

On the 24th. August, the Chief Justice, readers will remember, gave his decision in the action brought by the Hip On Insurance Exchange and Loan Company, Limited, and the Hongkong and Manila Yuen Sheng Exchange and Trading Company, Limited, against the two sons of Mr. Li Sing-Li Po-Yung, and Li Po Kam-in which they sought to claim \$11,524.94 which had been paid into Court in connection with certain property. Judgment was entered for Li Po Yung and Li

Po Kam on the claim with costs, and in favour of Li Po Yung with costs on the counter-claim. and formal judgment was entered. In delicering judgment his Lordship said:-"What the form of the order will be must be argued, as it may become a very complicated matter. The question of redemption of the Hongkong Fire Company's mortgage was much insisted on. I am not sure that it by the company, who may be willing to have it transferred to the new owners. But this in turn depends, on many other considerations. When the parties are ready, the form of the order can be made the subject of a special motion for judgment.

Mr. H. E., Pollock, K.C., who appeared for the Hip On and the other company (the unsuccessful parties) moved in the Supreme Court, this forenoon, that judgment be enteredto leave out important parts.

Mr. Pollock proceeded, unheeding the check, again, whereupon senior Counsel retorted that he was conducting his own case; that he was not leaving out any important points, and that interrupt him.

was discourteous to interrupt when his friend parts which were important.

Mr. Pollock-II my friend would leave me to conduct my own case—

The Chief Justice put a temporary stop to the "breeze" by reminding Mr. Pollock tha t | that had been given already. Mr. Pollock-That is the motion I am mak-

The Chief Justice asked how he could draw

up an order when he had already given judgment. He thought Mr. Pollock out of order. Mr. Pollock said that the judgment on the face of it was purely inconsistent. The Chief Justice-You aught to ha

brought the motion for an order. Mr. Pollock was understood to say that the judgment was given on the question of costs. The Chief Justice-I think you are wrong.

Mr. Pollock-I would like to know what your Lordship think is right. The Chief Justice—I think you are out of

Mr. Slade argued that his friend having released one of the defendants, having relused to prosecute him, he now wanted to "skin" the other defendant, whom they wanted to pay twice over.

After further discussion his Lordship reserved his decision on the point,

ALLEGED COUNTRREETER IN CUSTODY.

ACCUSED OF SWINDLING A SHOP ACCOUNTANT.

A Chinaman, well dressed, and having the appearance of a shop foki, was given in custody of the police yesterday afternoon by the accountant of a firm at 145; Bouham-Strand, on a charge of swindling. That charge was interpreted by the police as passing counterfeit coins.

It was alleged by the shop accountant that the coolie-called-at-his business house-yester: day under the pretext of making a purchase. He paid for the article hawanted with a dollar note, received his change, and proceeded to leave the premises. When he reached the door. however, he did not like the article he had purchased, and returning to the accountant placed the parcel, jogether with the change, on the counter, and demanded back his dollar bil alleging that he had paid twice too much for the stuff. To avoid any trouble the bill was returned, and the coolie left. A few minutes later, the accountant discovered that the money he had received from the coolie was counterfeit The alarm was given, and a number of fokis went in search of the man, whom they found standing at the corner of the street. He was at once seized. The choic, who gave the name of Fook Sam, was charged in the Police Court. to-day, with the offence. He was remanded. bail being allowed in the sum of \$200.

(RICKET.

The Cricket Season in Kowloon will open 2. Gnr. Blackman ..... , Ring Alfred ... 83 to-morrow when a friendly match will be play-King' Alfred ... 82 C. C. commencing at 2.30. The following will 82 represent Kowloon:-C. E. Libeaud, J. P. Robinson, W. Edwards, C. Jeffries, H. Dews- hold. bury, J. Clelland, W. J. Edwards, J. W. Lander, 8. L.-Cpi, Fleeiwood ,, Tamar ........80 H.C. Clements, S. Gregory, and J. H. Mead

The following teams will meet in a practice game on the H K. C. Club's ground to-morrow afternoon, commencing at 2 p.m.:- Capt. H. M. Beasley, R.A., Messrs, C.T. Boath, A.A. Claxton, J. H. Chalmers, W. Edwards, Corpl. who were employed on board the Gooding, 3rd Mid., I.t. G. R. Home, 3rd Mid., | Nicomedia, resulted in the arrest of fig Messra. H. Hancock, H. R. Makin, T. E. It was stated that the trouble wat Pearce, and E. B. Reed., Against :- Messre. one of the cooline interfering with A.C. Brawn, R. W. Day, R. A. Fowler, R. | painters, who pushed the man Hancock, E. H. Hinds, A. E. Lanning, H. C. accused were arraigned in the L Leith, Capt. Oliver, 3rd Mid., Messes. A. W. J. to-day, charged with assault of Peaks, F. H. H. Stevens, and W. C. D. Turner. I were found gullin and ordered

Parliament for Uhina.

THE IMPERIAL DEGREE.

TO PREPARE FOR THE CONSTITUTION.

Peking, August 27.

Decree of H. I. M. the Emperor, in compliance with the Command of the Empress. Downgor, acknowledging the receipt of a code. of Constitutional Laws drafted by the Hsionchen Pien-ch'a-kuan (Department for the Investigation of the principles of Constitutional Government) The Laws are very complete and are in accordance with the requirements of the subject. The lines of duty incumbent on all, high and low, are clearly laid down in these

The department has also submitted to the Throne constitutional schemes that should be carried into effect before the opening of a Parliament. It is certain that before, constitutional government can satisfy, or have any will arise : it depends on the attitude taken up | effect upon the nation, drastic measures must; be taken to relaim the Empire thoroughly. We, therefore, hereby order the Department to promulgate the said constitutional reform schemes among the Heads of the various Yamens in the Capital, the Viceroys and Governors of provinces and their subordinates. The officials are to carry these schemes into effect within their respective jurisdictions and to report to the Throne every six months upon what they have done in the preceding months. in his favour. Counsel proceeded to argue at The said Department is to see that all length. His next step was to read bits of evid. officials whether within the Capital or without ence from documents which were before him. | carry out these schemes properly. Should any when Mr. Slade interrupted, and called upon officials be found disoboying Our Commands" Mr. Pollock to read the whole thing, and not they will be punished severely and without leniency. Let it be understood that We will not telerate for a moment any delinquency on but Mr. Slade called his friend to attention the part of the officials. Under the difficult crisis through which the country is passing it should be the clear duty of every official to exert himself to assist Us in reforming the in a position to report the sale of the vessel. | he thought it very discourteous of his friend to | Empire. Let it be made known that nine years , are given as the limit of time for carrying out Mr. Slade returned that he did not think it these reform schemes. The Constitutional Laws will then be definitely decided upon by was reading parts here and there and omitting | Us and the date for the opening of the Parliament will also be announced by that time.

The metropolitan and provincial officials are are also commanded to lose no time in diffusing the knowledge of local self-government among the people, so as to enable them to govern the country in future.

Proper care must be taken to prevent the evil work and insidious rumours which bad characters are constantly seeking to spread about, is order to disturb the peace and to cause trouble. We look to the officials of the Empire to put forth their whole hearts in carrying through these reforms, so that the State may become stronger and stronger. Let these Our Commands be made known to every one in the Empire.

· August 28. (1) Hail Chien is appointed Director of the

High Court of Investigation in the Capital. (2) Hau Hau is appointed Judge of the Peking Common Law Court.

August 29.

(1) Wuang Ta-hsi (who is at present in England studying the Government and Constitution of that country) is appointed Senior Vica-President of the Ministry of Posts and Communications. Pending Wuang's arrival in Peking, Wu Yü-shen (one of the two Directors of the Peking Granaries) is to act for bim ad interim in addition to his (Wu's) usual duties.

(2) Lin Shao-nien (Governor of Honau) is appointed a Director of the Peking Granaries. and Wu Ch'ung hei is appointed Governor of Honan, Pending Wu's arrival in Kaifeng (capital of Honan) Chu Shou yung is to act in his stead for the time being.

(3) Shen Tseng-chih is appointed Acting Governor of Aphui.

(4) Mao Ching-fau is appointed-Provincial. Treasurer of Kiangsu and Fan Kung-hau is appointed Superintendent of Education for

CONST TUTIONAL REPORM SCHEMES. The following are some of the constitutional reform schemes that are to be carried into effect within the pext nine years.

1st year. To establish provincial assemblies. To promulgate local self-government regulations. To adjust financial matters, To revise the laws governing Manchus in order to dol away with the evils of racial lealousy. To take a census of the people. and year. To promulgate laws regulation

the election of the members of Province Assemblies. To promulgate the regulations the Trech Coyuan (Imperial Assembly) laws regulating the election of its membe To find out the appual amount of the expen ture and income of the Empire. To dea methods of judicial procedure. 3rd year .- To convene the Trechenynand

promulgate the new criminal code of laws. promulgate regulations for the reorganiza of the official system. 4th year. To promulgate Common L.

5th year -To promulgate duty iegulal 6th year.—To promulgate rules of it

7th year.-To draw up a Budget. 8th year. To fix the amount of mon quired for the expenses of the Imperial L

oth year. - To promulgate Constitution To publish institutes of the Imperia hold. To promulgate laws regulat mentary election.

A FIGHT which took place yesters between a number of coolies and two

#### Telegrames.

"Hongkong Telegraph" SERVICE.

SERIOUS AFFRAY'IN SHANGHAI.

FOREIGN CONSTABLES WOUNDED

[From Our Ozon Correspondent.]

Shanghai, 4th September. Another serious affray occurred here last night between Japanese

Members of the Municipal police who proceeded to suppress the street brawl were set upon by the sailors. In the melee two foreign con-

FOREIGN AFFAIRS COM-MISSIONER.

stables were wounded.

TAGTAL WEN'S SUCCESSOR APPOINTED.

By courtesy of the "Sheung Fo."]

Peking, 3rd September. The Imperial Government has

decided to appoint an official in Canton for transacting business have ing relations with-foreigners.

Government recommend that the appointment be offered to Im Ku.

[Acting upon the suggestion of the authorities in Peking, Viceroy Chang of Canton has telegraphed to Im Ku to proceed South to as sume the duties of the office in succession to Taotai Wen Tsung Yao, This appointment does not; however, dispose of Mr. Fung Wa chun's candidature for office in the Foreign Affeirs Bureau as reported in our columns last week. We understand that Mr. Fung has active supporters in Canton for his selection to the Foreign Bureau and his chances are as good as those of any of his opponen's for the assistantship to the Foreign Commissioner .-.Ed., *H.K.T.*]

CAPITAL OF KWANGSI. NANNING PROPOSAL REVIVED.

[By courtery of the "Sheung Po."]

Peking, 3rd September. The Imperial Government con-

template the transfer of the seat of Government in Kwangsi province from Kweilin to Nanning.

Telegraphic instructions have been despatched to Viceroy Chang to-report on the advisability or otherwise of the proposed change.

#### Meulers

#### Morocco.

LONDON, 2nd September, Germany has informed the signatories to the Algerias Convention that she considers the speedy recognition of Mulai Hafid as Sultan as being best for the pacification of Morocco.

The French press regards the return of the German Consul to Fez as an unfriendly and aggressive act. 🔑 🧸 🐰

Mulai Hafid has been enthusiastically proclaimed Sultan at Ujda,

The French authorities remained neutral.

The Gale in Great Britain. The gale in Great Britain reached a velocity of seventy miles an hour, and did great damage to crops and property.

Telegraphic communication with the Conment is still interrupted, and intending pannel passengers have been warned not

#### The U. S. Elections.

the Republicans have won the State tions at Vermont by a majority of 28,000. mallest of any Presidential year since

Vermont result has hitherto invariindicated the trend of the Presidential

BB. TOKIO BXBIBITION.

MDENT ROOSEVELT'S MESSAGE

Tokio, August 31. ers protest against the postpone-

med uniment.

POLICE OFFICER'S UNTIMELY

SUDDEN DEATH DUE TO SUNSTROKE.

Torough the death of Police Constable William Taylor, which took place in the night the Police torce of Hongkong has lost a most primising officer, and its members a

staunch friend. The circumstances surrounding the death, of this popular officer are most pathetic. Police Constable Taylor had been stationed at No. 6 Police Station, the Peak, for some time, and on the 1st instant was transferred to head. quarters. Shortly after ten o'clock yesterday morning .P. C. Taylor was sent out on special duty at the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company's whatf. He appeared to be in his usual spirits, and no complaint had he been heard to make. He remained on duty at the wharf until about noon. On his way

to the Central Station he called in at the Fire Brigade Station to consult a brother officer about a hunting expedition which was to have been held shortly. P. C. Taylor sat on his friend's bed, while the friend busied himself about the room, listening to what was being said. Suddenly Taylor stopped speaking, and he was seen to fall back on the bed and then a -second-or-so-later ha-rolled-to-the-floor.--Hewas picked up by his-friend-and-repl: ced on the bed and on this occasion he was seized, by a violent fit of vomiting, from which he soon recovered. For a while he seemed better and complained of feeling bad about the head. glass of soda water was handed him, but he did not have the time to 'drink much of it when he was seized with an attack again, and corlapsed. Hurriedly, an ambulance was called and the unfortunate man conveyed to hospital. He became unconscious during the night, and died,

due to sunstroke. . The deceased was quite a young man, being twenty-four years of age, came to Hongkong two years ago to join the local force, having been drafted from the Aberdeen-Police. Prior to this deceased was with his father in a dairy farm at Peterhead, Abordeenshire. He was a native of East Thunderton, Peterhead, N.B., and his sudden demise will come as a shock to many, owing to the man's sterling qualities and the esteem in which he was held by all who knew him, He leaves his parents in the Homeland, and a brother-P.C. 94 A. K. Taylor-who is also a member of the local force - to moure his loss.

as already stated, before mideight. Death was

The funeral took place this afternoon under Masonic rites and the cortege was followed by a squad of police officers and many civilians.

THE STATUS OF LEACHERS IN CHINA.

PREVENTION OF DISPUTES BETWEEN CHINESE AND FOREIGNERS.

For the purpose of preventing disputes between the Chinese authorities and foreigners employed as teachers and instructors by the Provincial Governments, the Ministry of Education has drawa up some new rules, which have been sanctioned by the Empress Dowager for the control of foreign teachers in China The following are the most important points:-

1,-Without the sanction of this Ministry, no foreign subjects can be employed to act asteachers in any of the modern schools or col-Jeges. In the case of military instructors or advisers, the permission of the Ministry of War is necessary in addition to the sanction of this

Ministry. 2.- Foreign teachers or instructors should -not-interest-themselves-in-litigation-between-Chinese and foreigners, or in any affairs outside their educational duties.

3 .-- The salaries of teachers and instructors shall be paid either in Chinese Government dollars coined in the central mint of the Ministry of Finance at Tiestsin or any other Chinese silver coin regardless of the currency of any

.....Foreign-teachers-or--instrüctors--cannotleave their schools or colleges or resign unless three months' notice is given beforehand. In case of sickness of more than fifteen days, they must find suitable substitutes whose pay, etc., must be settled privately. sick teachers or instructors cannot find suit able substitutes, then the director of the schools or colleges must do so and during the period, one-half of the sick teachers' pay wil be deducted to pay substitutes.

5.-Foreign teachers must obey the instructions of the director and the head-master with regard to educational affairs.

6.-In order to secure the services of cap able men Viceroys and Governors and other high authorities must not employ any foreign teachers or instructors without strong recommendiftions.

7,- Foreign teachers must only be entrusted with the teaching of civil and military subjects; care must be taken that their influence in other matters is not allowed to be felt.

8.- Upon satisfactory conclusion of their agreements the Chinese Government, in addition to the usual passage money, will give the teachers or instructors three months' extra pay. Copies of the above new rules have been sent to the various Provincial Governments, including Manchuria and Mongolia, by H.E. Chang Chih-tung; Comptroller-General of the Ministry of Education, and they are already in force.-N. C. D. News, ...

ANOTHER ricksba coolie-making about the the Tokio Exhibition. But other twentieth in a fortnight-was prosecuted in the wealth it a significant indication of the Police Court, this morning, for demanding ment's andeavours to obtain some more than his legal fare. In addition defendar a was also charged with assaulting Mr. I. M. Roosevelt, in reply to a communica- Xavier, an assistant engineer of the P.W.D., who spin on the postponement of the appeared as complainant in both cases. The day, leaving the power house with two pleases declares that he folly appreciates latter charge was not proved, and that was dis- of branc. The coolie, who was immediately of Japan's financial policy. I missed. On the other charge the coolin-In I given in charge, was sentenced to six weeks Cheuse Ho-was fined \$5.

HONGKONG HOIBL CO. LD LAST, HALF-YTAE'S FINANCIAL RESULTS.

The profit on working account, to 30th June, 1908, of the Hongkong Hotel Co., Ld., amounted to \$20,723.30 as compared with Government Civil Hospital, some time last \$73,068.73 for the corresponding period of 1907, being an increase of-\$7,754.0

The profit and loss account, including the sum of \$252.17 brought forward from 31st December, 1907, shows a credit balance of \$79.639.63, which the directors recommand should be apportioned as follows:--

o pay a dividend of 6 per cent. for the half-year ...... \$ 36,000.00 To transfer to re, airs and renewals

To write off furniture and fixture ... To write off electric plant ...... To write off steam launch To-carry forward to new account ...

THE BOSTON S.S. CO.'S PACIFIC SERVICE.

The Victoria (B.C.) Daily Colonist wrote as follows on July 30.-Practical confirmation of the story to the effect that the Boston S. S. Company's big liners Tramont and Shawmut were to be withdrawn from the Oriental trade is offered by the issuance of new schedule for the service by Waterhouse and Company, in which the sailings of the two liners are taken by other cargo steamsh p. The Tacoma Ledger says: "In place of the Tremont the British tramp steamer Craiguir, 3,669 tons, has evidently been substituted. The charter of the Craignar was made known a day or two ago. Under the new schedule she is to depart from Tacoma on Aug. 16 and from Seattle four days later. The Craigvar is at present discharging coal for the government at Honolulu. She has been fixed on time. Another steamer, whose name has not yet been made public, will also be placed on this run. In shipping circles it is surmised to be the Borerie, one of the Waterhouse-Weis line, now en route to San Francisco from Australia. This yessel is to be here during the latter part of August, steaming from here Sept. and from Seattle for the Orient Sept. Following these two, the schedule for the balance of the year is as follows, the date being that of departure from Tacoma; each to put to sea from Scattle four days later :- Suveric, Sept. 25; Kumeric, Oct. 16; Inverie, Nov. 6: Craigear, Nov. 26; steamer (came unannounced), Dec. 18. This new arrangement provides for a s'eamer every twenty days on the run to the Philippines. As heretofore the ports of call will pany at \$1.50 each' by the different charitable b. Yokohama, Kobe, Moji, Manila and Hong- institutions which was commenced on the 1st kong Returning, the steamer will make Shang- I day of the 7th moun, does not appear to be has when sufficient cargo offers and also call at promising at alt. For the whole of the 7th Japanese ports. The Inverie which loaded most I moon the amount collected by the Wei Hong of her cargo here, leaves Seattle for Japan, Institutions was 31,000 tacls, Kwang Cha China and Manila this week, taking the place 15,000 tacls, Kwang Yun 10,500 tacls, Oi Yuk of the American, steamer Shawmut, which is 10,600 taels, Shung Ching 8,300 taels, Ming disengaged pending decision of the Govern- Shin 2,800 taels, Shut Shin 820 taels and the ment regarding her purchase. Longshoremen Chamber of Commerce 8,050 taels; total 87,300 began to discharge the Tremont yesterday and tacls. From the above can be seen the work will be rushed in taking, her freight out apparent apathy shown in the affairs of the By to morrow night it is expected that the liner | Company by the general body of shareholders. will be empty. In the meantime she is being In the year 1904, when the Company wa painted and placed in shape for the inspection | started, a few millions of dollars, were collected which she will undergo at the hands of the board of naval experts appointed to examine the two vessels. The withdrawal of the Tremont means that in a year and, a hall five American steamers have been taken off this 'run and replaced by the same number of British steamers. The Tremont and Shawmut formerly ran in conjunction with the Lyra, Hyades and Ileiades. The last three were the first taken off and for months it has been rumoured that the passenger liners Shawmut and Tremont were to follow. This report had at last proved true. The vessels procured for the run are smaller than the big Americans, but will probably be

#### MAKINE COURT.

not carry passengers.

of ample size to handle the business. They will

EXCESS OF PASSENGERS.

In the Marine Court, this morning; before the Hon. Commander Basil R. H. Taylor, R.H. Harbour Master, Police-Sergeant George Jackson charged Mr. Wolfgang Horn, master of the Norwegian steamship Spir, and Wing promptly so that little or no damage wa Sing, of 8r. Wing Lok Street, the agent or charterer of the same ship, with unlawfully attempting to leave the waters of the Colony after having obtained a port clearance with a number of passengers greater than that allowed by the said port clearance on the 3rd instant. The first defendant denied the charge while the-second defendant admitted the offence.....

It was stated by prosecutor that at 3 30 p.m. yesterday, he boarded the s.s. Spir. He demanded from the master the port clearance, which allowed only twelve passengers. He counted twenty passengers in presence of the to these graduates by Admiral Di Chun. master-an excess of eight.

It was stated by the master that he told Wing Sing, his charterer, that he would not take more than twelve passengers. Despite this, more than twelve passeagers came on board before the vessel's departure.

Wing Sing's statement was to the effect that it was a mistake on the part of his fokt.

It was further stated by the master that he informed Wing Sing two days beforehand that he could only take twelve passengers, and he repeated his order again yesterday before the passengers came on board."

The first desendant was fined to cents while Wing Sing had to pay \$240 to the Court.

MR. C. C. Hill, assistant engineer of the Electric Tramway Company, detocted a coolin, yesterhard labour in the Police Court, to-day,

GYMRHANA NOTAS.

SELECTION FOR THE EVENTS

It was not until late this afternoon-at three o'clo:k to be precise-when a friend asked me for a few !! tips " for the gymkhana which is to be held to-morrow, that I was reminded that I had a duly to perform for your paper.

For the past few weeks very little training work has been carried on, owing to two thingsthe unsettled state of the track, and the unruly state of the elements. But notwithstanding these d sadvantages which the owners of ponies have had to contend with a few times were taken, but were not of much consequence.

To-morrow's gymkhana should be a very sporting event, and should we be favoured with fine weather, a large attendance is assured."

According to the programme which I have before me there are seven entries for the first event-the Five Furlong Race. This event remains between Kingston, who is being ridden at 150 lbs, and Ard Patrick (157 lbs.)

The Gymkhana Stakes—the race of the afterdoon-should be considered that of Coxcomb, but Blue Nile must not go out of reckoning.

For the Welter Race, for which there are three-entries,-Mr.-Leeson's-mount-is-worth backing.

The mile race should produce a good field. If Sidier Dhu start he should win. If not, the Rose.

The last race rests with Astral.

CANTON DAY BY DAY.

"SILVER DOLLAR PIECES.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

to Canton, 3rd September.

Though great vigilance has been exercised by the Canton officials in preventing traders from withdrawing the silver dollar pieces recently issued by the Canton Mint to a large number for local circulation, either for the purpose of exportation or melting down for profit. it is found that the number of these coins seemingly continues to decrease day by dayand are becoming more and more scarce in the Canton market. .t is concluded by the authorities that some traders might be trafficking in the standard coins by exporting them from Canton, and the Cauton Mint officials are therefore instructed to investigate the matter and to devise means to check the practice, and at the same time to offer large rewards for the apprehension of the offenders.

CANTON-HANKOW RAILWAY. . .

The collection of the 2nd call on railway shares of the Canton-Hankow Railway Comin a short space of time, but now the collection of the 2nd call can only bring in a sum o 100,000 tacks in a whole month. This is, no doubt, the outcome of the working of the Company being unsatisfactory to the sharehold ers and the Imperial Government's decision that the railway should be put under official control through the appointment of H. E. Chang Chih-tung as superintendent of the railway.

PROMOTION. It is learnt in Mandarin circles here that the present Salt Comptroller, Ting Nai Young, will be appointed Taotai of Lungchow, in succession to Taotai Yiu Shiu Shi-who-died-last-month-

Last evening, at 8 o'clock, an outbreak of sire occurred in a shop named Sun Cheung Loopg, in Luca Hing, street, through the careless use of kerosine oil. The flames shot up very high in the air, and at the time of the accident it was expected that serious damage would result to the neighbouring buildings. Fortunately, by the timely arrival of the various fire brigades, the confligration was put down sustained by the shops in the vicinity; the shop

AN EX-MINISTER. " H. E. Yeung Shing, ex-Chinese Minister to Germany, will leave here in a few days' time

for Peking via Hongkong. MILITARY CRADUATES.

where the fire originated was gutted.

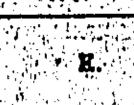
One hundred and eighty-five students of the Military College at the Boca Tigris have recently completed their course of studies. On the 28th ultimo certificates were distributed

GOLD RINGS STOLEN.

THIRF WELL PUNISHED.

A few days ago Mrs. Hobbs, who resides at I, Ormsby Villa, Kowloon, lost two gold rings from her house. The rings she valued at Soc. A report was made to the Tsim-tsa-tsui Police, with the result that a description of the ring was given to all pawnbrokers, with instructions to detain the person offering them in pawn. This had the desired effect, for yesterday a coolie named Chan Hoi was handed over to the police. Chan denied the charge vigorously, saying that he had found the riogs. The police believed, however, that while Chan was visiting some of the lady's servants he speaked up to her room during her absence and stole the rings. Accused was charged in the Police Court, to-day, and sentenced to six months hard labour.

#### To.dap's Advertisements.



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THE HEADMISTRESS. Hinngkong, 4th September, 1908.

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THE FOURTH MEETING of the Season will be held at Happy Valley, TO-MORROW, 5th September, 1908, commencing

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REGINALD F. C. MASTER Hon. Sec. and Treasurer. Hongkong, 4th September, 1908.

### COMMERCIAL.

WBEKLY SHARE REPORT.

Reviewing the share business for the week Messrs, E. S. Kadoorie & Co. write under today's date :-

During the past week, the market has continued quiet and inactive with but a small business to record, but rates in most cases have been fairly well maintained.

is advertised to take place on Saturday, the 12th inst. The transfer books of the Company will be closed from the 6th to the 12th inst,

The ordinary general meeting of shareholderst in the Douglas Bleamship Co., Limited. will be held on Saturday, the 19th September. The transfer books of the company will be closed from the 8th to 19th September.

Banks,-Hongkong and Shanghai Banks have juled steadier during the week and towards the close, were sold at \$750. The London quotation 15 £78 105.

Marine Insurances.-North Chinas are still in favour in the North at Tls. 78, while Cantons remain neglected at \$220. Unions can probably be placed at \$750. Sales of Yangisses have been effected at \$166.

Fire Insurances,-Both China Fires and Hongkong Fires are in demand at quotations. Shipping.—There are buyers of Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboats at \$274, but sellers are not forthcoming. Star Ferries old and new are unchanged and without business to report.

Refineries,-China Sugars are quiet at quotation. Perak Sugars are again on offer at Tis. 921.

Mining.-Chinese Engineerings have strengthened and buyers prevail in the North at Tis. 16. Raubs can be sold at \$72: Docks, Wharves and Godowns,-There are

buyers of Kowloon Wharfs at \$46. Whampon Docks have sellers at \$100. In the North, there are sellers of Shanghai Docks at Tis. 85. while Hongkew Wharfs are wanted at Tis, 1671.

Lands, Hotels and Buildings.-Humphreys Estates are obtainable at \$10. Hongkong Lands are neglected at \$34. Shanghai Lands are firmer and buyers prevail at Tis. 1161. Cotton Mills,-A slight decline in Ewos has

occurred and sales have been effected at Tis, 61. Hongkong-Cottons have been sold at \$11. There are sellers of Internationals at Tis. 66. Lau Kung Mows at Tis. 85, and Soy Chees at Tis. 2421.

Miscellaneous.-China Providents have been booked at \$92 and more are wanted at the rate. Sales of Green Island Coments have been: effected at \$10 ex the interim dividend of 40 cents per share paid on the 31st ult, Hongkong Ropes have been dealt in at \$24. William Powells are inquired for at \$4. Langkats. have experienced a sharp rise closing with buyers at Tls, 5921.

Exchange, The Banks selling rate on London is 1/91 on demand. The T.T. rate on Shanghal is 75. Dividends Payable .- Langkats Third in

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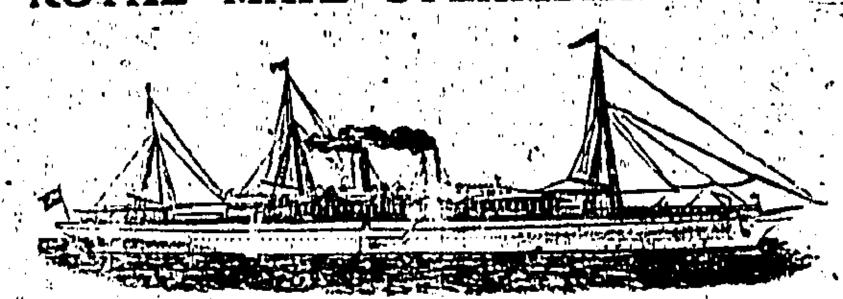
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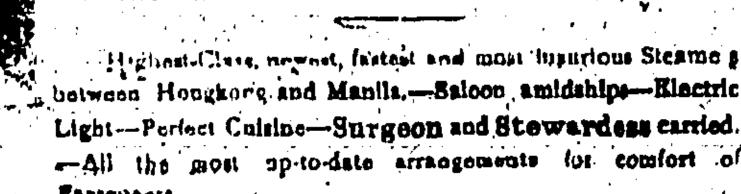
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Roach-Ohun Va .......

Salmon, (O'top), fresh water-Ms Yau

White Bait-Ngan Yu Chai .....

Skate-Po Yu .......

Shrimps—Ha

Snapper-Lap Yu......

Soles-Tat Sa Yu.....

Tench-Wan Yu .....

Turbot-Cho How Yu ...... 24

Turtles, small, fresh water-Keok Yu... "

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Cabbage, Red-Kai Lan Tau .....each

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Members are notified that cash must be paid on the range for ammunition and cards and in no circumstances can credit be given. Hongkong currency alone will be accepted.

Shooting dates for the remaining week-ends in September will be notified later.

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The P. M. Co.'s S. S. s.s. Siberia will be due to arrive in Hongkong with the American Mail, on 6th inst., at 11 a.m.

The N. Y. K. s.s. Kaga Maru, American Line, left Shanghai for this port on 3rd inst., and is expected here on 6th inst.

The Apear Co.'s s.s. Arratoon Apear Itom Yokohama, Kobe and Moji left Moji this morning, and may be expected here on 8th inst., afternoon

#### THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg. Director of the Hongkong Observatory:--On the 4th at 11.55 a.—The barometer has fallen slightly over the N. and S. coasts of China and in Luzon, and risen moderately at the Bonins.

The depression over the Pacific to the S.E. of the Luochoos appears to be almost stationary. The slight depression over China is lying now to the North of the Lower Yangize. Pressure remains high over N.E. Japan.

Moderate N.E. winds may be expected in the Formosa Channel, and moderate variable winds over the N. part of the China Sea. Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending et 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches,

FORECAST. t .- Hongkong and Neighbourhood, Variable winds, light or moderate; fair,

2. Formosa Channel, N.E. winds, moderate. 3.-South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamocks, same as No. f. . 4.-South coast of China between Hongkong

and Hainan, same as No. 1.

onan, Br. s.s., 1,206, W. O. Jones, 3rd Sept., -Chinkiang and Shanghai 30th Aug., and Swatow and Sept., Gen.-C. M. S. N. Co. tori Maru, Jap. s.s. 2,736, Jas. Hands, 3rd. Sept.,-from Japan, Gen,-N. Y. K. ar, Nor. s.s., 2,276, C. Stangebye, 3rd Sept ..- Moji 28th Aug., Goal - Aagaard,

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Aug., Gen.-B. & S. Ger. s.s., 760, J. C. Hansen, 4th -Macao 4th Sept., Rice.-J.,& Co. ah, Ch. s.s., 1,536, Wm. H. Lunt, 4th -Canton 3rd Sopt., Gen.-C. M. S.

> s.s., 4,783, J. D. Andrews, R.M.R., 4th Shanghai ist Sept., Mails and Gen. O. S. N. Co.

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, 1,517, D. A. King, 4th 4th Sept., Gen.-J., M. & Jap. s.s., 1,811, M. Nemolo, 4th hanghai-via-Poochow, Amoy and grd Sopt., Gen.—O. S. K.

and Singapore 28th Aug.

Clearances at the Harbour Office.

Lock un. for Swalow. Dayny, for Chefoo. Yawata Marw, for Manila. Germania, for Canton. Tillini-for Balavia Moyori Mars, for Singapore. Liongchow, for Canton. Halmus, for Swatow. Benvenue, for Nagasaki. Lituania, for Vindivostock. Statten, for Tientsin.

Departures Yawata Maru, for Australian Ports. Tjikint, for Macassar. Huichow, for Canton: Haimun, for Coast Ports. Shooksing, for Shan hai. Lituania, for Vladivostock. Ningchow, for Tacoma. Dagny, for Newchwang. Benvenite, for Japan. Moyori Marn, for Bombay.

Liangchow, for Canton.

Passengers arrived ... Per Chihil, from H. iphong-Mr. C. F.

Per Tean, from Manda - Messrs. Derrell, Skinner, Olsen, Wall, Bache, Sanderson, Frey, Misses King, Rothfen, Mr. and Mrs. Eldridge and 2 children.

Per Delki, from Shanghai-for Hongkong-Mr. G. I. Shekury, Dr. and Mrs. McKrachan, infant and 2 servants, Mr. Lushington and native servant, Mrs. M. Kelly, Messra. J. B. Guterez, Mr. and Mrs. Webb Anderson, infant and amab, and Mr. Mouret. For Marseilles-Messrs. Large and A. Campbelt. For Gibraltar -Mr. and Mrs. O'Gonnor. For London-Mr. W. Grundy. For Golombo-Mr. D. Frederick.

Passengers departed.

Per Yawata Maru, for Manila, &c .- Senator Hon, Henry Dobson, Mr. and Mrs., H. W. Durboras; Mr. and Mrs. Leo. J. Grove, Mr. J. B. Colman, Mrs. Pearl T. Colman, Mr. James A. Hayward, Mrs. W. B. Walker, 2 children and maid, Miss P. Yasuye, Messes. A. W. J. A. Gough, G. W. Rogers and servant, Capt. Pain, Messis, G. H. Scales, K. Yoshitomi, J. Talambires, A. Sohr, Y. Tashima, J. Crancy, S. Mattui, Messis, Tan Po Hun, Tan Tso Tuck, Yoshide Fukuichi, and Miss Mukai Mume.

Shipping Reports. Str. Chihly, from Haiphong .: - Fine weather

Str. Yunnan, from Chinking, &c. :- Light N.E. winds and exceptionally fine weather to Swatow thence fresh S.W. breeze to Hongkong experienced strong N.E. set last 12 hours.

VESSELS IN PORT.

STEAMERS.

Ailsacraig, Br. s.s., 2,166, A. D. Moody, 30th Aug.,-Barry Dock 14th July, Coal.-Navy Department.

America Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,460, W. E. Filmer, 29th Aug. - San Francisco 1st Aug., Honolulu 7th, Yokohama 20th, Kobe 21st, Naga-. saki 23rd, and Shanghai 25th, Mails and Gen.-T. K. K.

Arconia, Ger. s.s., 2,903, Tuergensen, 3rd Sept., | -Kobe via Moji 29th Aug., Gen:-M. &

Borneo, Ger. s.s., 1,344, F. Sembill, 3rd Sept., -Sandakan 29th Aug., Gen.-M. & Co. Claverburn, Br. s.s., 2,518, W. H. Seldon, 17th Aug.,-from Cardiff, Coals.-D. & Co., Ld. Courtfield, Br. s.s., 4,897; J. Wiseman, 25th May,-Moji 20th May, Coal,-M. B. K. Empress of Japan, Br. B.S., 3,039, F. Robinson, Shanghalung R.N.R., 27th Aug.,-Vancouver 5th Aug., and Shanghai 24th, Mails and Gen.-C. P. | Sharp Peak...

Forest Dale, Br. 5.5., 2,253, Noall, 24th Aug.,-Swatow ..... Samarang 14th Aug., Sugar.-B. & S. Frithjof, Nor. 5.5., 891, O. Andersen, 8th Aug., -irom Saigon, Rice.-Aagaard, Thoresen

Hailan, Fr. s.s., 477, O. Hoeg, 31st Aug.,-Hoihow 29th Aug., Gen.-A. R. M. Johanne, Ger. s.s., 952, J. Iversen, 28th Aug., -Haiphoog 23rd Aug., and Hoihow 27th,

Gen.—J. & Co. Joshin Maru, Jap. s.s., 702, Y. Kaburaki, 2nd Sept.,-Tamsui 30th Aug., Gen.-O. S. K. Keong Wai, Ger. s.s., 1;115, J. Köhler, 3rd Sept., -- Swatow 2.d Sept., Rice and Teak-

Knivsberg, Ger. s.s., 646, Henk, and Sept ... Tougane 30th Aug., Coals and Gen:- J. &

Lamington, Br. s.s., 2,283, J. J. G. MacPhail, 31st Aug.,-Hongay 28th Aug., Coal,-B.

Lennox, Br. s.s., 2,361, F., McNair, :4th Aug., -Wosung 20th Aug., Gen.-C. P. R. Co. Lightning, Br. s.s., 1,625, A. E. Gentles, 28th Aug,-Calcutta via Penang and Singapore 23rd Aug., Gen.-D. S. & Co., Ld.

Locksun, Gor. s.s., 1,020, W. Taubert, 25th Aug. -Bangkok 19th Aug., Rice. -B. & S. Loyal, Ger. s.s., 1,237, F. Natzins, 30th Aug., -Bangkok via Kohsichang 22nd Aug., Gen.-S., W. & Co.

Mandal, Nor. s.s., 1,001, Gabrielsen, 31st July, -Borneo 25th July, Coal.-Wallem & Co. Manila, Ger, s.s., 1,108, J. Minssen, 21st Aug., Sydney 30th July, Gen.-M. & Co. Mausang, Br. s.s., 1,644, Weigall, 28th Aug.,-

Sandakan 22nd Aug., Timber and Gen. J., M. & Co. Nam Sang, Br. s.s., 2,591, P. M. B. Lake, 3rd Sept. - Calcutta via Penang and Singapore 28th Aug , Gen .- J., M. & Co. Nicomedia, Ger. s.s., 4,364, P. Wagemann,

ist Sept.,-Moji 27th Aug., Gen.-P. & A. Onsang, Br. s.s., 1,787, F. Wheeler, 14th Aug., -Moji 8th Aug., Coal.-J., M. & Co. Protous, Nor. s.s., 1,024, C. Moller, 3rd Aug,-Saigon 29th July, Rice .- Aagaard, Thore-

Ragnar, Nor. s.s., 1,200, Augensen, 17th Aug., -Rajang 10th Aug., Timber.-Wallem & Pescadores ...

Shibetoro Maru, Jap. s.s., 2,479, S. Atsumi, 3rd Sept.,-Moji 26th Aug., Coal.-O. S. K. Yatshing, Br. s.s., 1,414, M. Courtney, 3rd Sept.,-Shanghai via Swatow 29th Aug., Gen.-J., M. & Co.

Yuensang, Br. s.s., 1,128, P. H. Rolfe, 31st Aug.,-Manila 27th Aug., Gen.-J., M. & Zafiro, Br. s.s., 1,619, R. Rodger, 31st Aug.,— Manila 28th Aug., Ballast.—S., T. & Co.

SAILING VESSELS. Juteopolis, Br. ship, 2,840, Stewart, 5th June,-San Francisco 5th April, Case Oil.-S. O.

King George, Br. ship, 2,057, Tucker, 7th Aug., Ballast,-S. O.

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sang, 5th Sept., 5 P.M. Singapore and Calcutta-Per Arconia, 5th Hoihow and Pakhoi-Per Johanne, 5th Sept., Swatow, Amoy and Tamsui-Per Joshin Maru, 6th Sept., 9 A.M. Quang-chow-wan-Per Knivsberg, 6th Sept.,

Hollow and Haiphong-Per Chikil, 8th Shanghal, Yokohama, Kobe and Moji-Per Namiang, 8th Sept., 11 A.M. Manila-Per Team, 8th Sept., 3 P.M.

Sandakan-Per Mausang, 8th Sept., 3 P.M. Singapore-Per Ajax, 8th Sept., 3 P.M. Kobe and Yokohama-Per Kamakura Maru,

Keelung, Moji, Kobe, Yokkaichi, Shimidzu," Yokohama, Honolulu and San Francisco-Per Nicomedia, oth Sept., II A.M. Singapore, Penang and Bombay -- Per Capri, Haslewood Mr. 10th Sept., 10 A.M.

Swatow, Chefoo and Tientsin-Per Hulchow, 10th Sept., 3 P.M. Manila, Yap, Fr. Wilhelmshafen, Simpsonhafen, Herbertshohe, Matupi, Sydney, Hobart, Innes, Capt. R. Launceston, New Zealand Melbourne, Adelaide, Perth and Fremantle-Per Manila, 10th

Sept., 4 P.M. Europe, &c., India, via Tutlcoriu-Per Der Minger, 10th Sept., 11 A.M. Shanghai, Nagazaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver-Per Lennox, 11th Sept., to A.N.

Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Shimidzu, Yokohama, Honolulu and San Francisco - Per America Maru, 11th Sept., 11-A.M. Manila-Per Loongsang, 11th Sept., 3 P.M. Manila - Per Zafiro, 12th Sept., 11 A.M. Singapore, Penang and Calcutta - Per Fooksang, 12th Sept., 2 P.M.

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kaichi, Shidmidzu, Yokohama, Honolulu and San Francisco - Per Siberia, 19th Sapt.,

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Black, Dr. G. D. R.

Meintosh, G. C. Blunn, A. B. McKean, Dr. G. W. Brayfield, T. Moore, Dr. and Mrs. Brong, G. W. B. A. .. Bumann, Mr. and Mrs. Nesbitt. P. Niedhardt, E. Bunner, W. C. Packer, B. L. Bussierre, S. C. de Pearse, Dr. W. W. Clark. M. O. Peako, A. W. J. Colvin, H. E. Perkins, T. L. Perindorge, Dr. & Mrs. Copp, Capt. W. H.

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Shields, C. E.

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Hayes, Dr. Adams, F. R. J. Anderson, R.A., Major Ings, Mrs. Jones, Dr. and Mrs. E. -and-Mrs. F. H. E. Nikkels, R. N. W. Caldwell, G. E. Clothier, Mr. and Mrs. Pye, Mr. & Mrs. Burns Ram, E. A. H. W. Baunders, Mr.

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Opto, Y. Boyless, N. E. Olsep, F. Carle, J. Y. Rigge, H. E. Robson, R. H. Rumte, H. Davies, J. A. Schenck, W. B. Desen, Mr. Schnaidermann, J. Engelen, Dr. M. Schnitzer/ Mr. Evenbudwig, W. Eyre, Mr. and Mrs. Sobr. A. Springler, M. E. Fraser, D. M. Silva-Netto, Mr. and Gainbold, M. Mrs. A. F. and child Hashim, Said Bilva, Mr. & Mrs. F. F. Hock, O. D. Eca da Holmes, F. E. Soo, C. K. Hough, Dr. Sours, Dr. E. L. lorge, Mr., IMrs. an Stawart, G. R. Master F. J. V. Stuart, Mrs. Joan Sullivan, F. A. Karl, Mr. and Mrs. Kelly, W. H. Victo B. E. Walter, John Klise, Roy D. Kwan, Mr. and Mrs. C. White, J. S. Humphreys, W. M. Asgaard, Mrs. B. Hocksday, W. T. Allen, Mr. Irving, Edward Anderson, Miss Jones, R.A.M.C. Major Aubrey, Dr. Aucott, E. F. . Joseph, Mr. and Mrs. E. Austin, Mr. Britton, Miss Krauss, E. L. Buist, Mr. Keid, Miss Burton, Major Lanning, Albert E. Carruthers, E. S. Chamier, C.M.G., Lt. Lander, Major, Lawford, L. H. Chamier, Mrs. & chil- Logan, Mejor and Mrs.

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Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation	121,000	1125	\$125	( \$250,000)		1/9}-\$21.942		London £78.10 -	
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Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ld	60,000	5 0	\$ 0	( 10,000) (26,8 6) ( 540,000)	13,556	Final of fil making \$31 for 1907	7 <del>1</del> %	\$45 buyers	PICTOR
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Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	50,133	\$15- \$50	\$15 \$50	\$1,000 { \$648,975 } \$7,000 }	\$252	\$1.80 for 1906	191	312 schors	BRITANIA POST
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Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited		\$50	\$30	f Tis. 1,523,045	1653	\$14 for 1907	61 %	<b>327</b>	THE HONGKONG ICE
Shanghal Land Investment Company, Limited	•	Tis, 50	Tis. 50	Tis. 170,000	Tls. 107,547	Interim of \$2 for account 1508			Stores will be Open at IO A.M. daily, Sunday excepted, to receiv
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Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing } Company, Limited	15,000	\$10	\$10	1 Tls, 45,939 \$	\$14,269	50 cents for year enring 31.7.07	<b>I</b>	\$11	Rongkong, 22nd Inne, 1900
International Cotton Manufacturing Company, Ld  Laou-kung-mow Cetton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ld.  Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Company, Limited	8,000	l'Is. 100	Tls. 75	none Tis. 28,257	Tls. 85,519 Tls. 6,303	Fla: 6 for 1906		Γis. 66 sellers Γis. 85 sellers	FURNITURE WAREH
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Shanghai Gas Company, Limited	24,000	- \$10 - Tla, 50	\$10 Fig. 50	none Tis. 100,000	Nil. Tis. 6,603	Final of Tis. 4 making Tis. 74 for 1907	· 1 · · ·	Tis, 115 sales	Furniture, &c., supplied.
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